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● Mrs. C. H. Marteena, member of the staff of Bennett College, Greensboro, North Carolina.

● The article by Henry Seymour Brown, D.D., contains excerpts from an address made at the conference on "The Church and the Jew."

● Mrs. F. C. Reynolds, chairman of the Department of Work in United States, Alaska, Puerto Rico, and Santo Domingo.

● Mrs. Edwin Lee, wife of Bishop Edwin Lee, Bishop of Singapore Area and Manila Area.

CORRECTIONS

May issue, page 13, paragraph 11. **The Conroy Memorial Hall, which was given to the Woman's College of West China University, was the gift not of Mrs. A. T. Conroy, of Philadelphia, but of Mrs. William E. Conroy, of Pittsburgh.**

May issue, page 16. **The names and pictures of chairmen of two standing committees of the Wesleyan Service Guild were twisted. The captions to the second and third pictures in the second row should have read: Mrs. Adella Langill, Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities; Miss E. Jane MacDonald, Missionary Education. Sorry.**

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A Prophecy Realized

By Mrs. C. H. Marteena

White men and women of the North join with white men and women of the South and with men and women of our own group to say that the day has come when Negro women need for their very own a college inferior to none, where they shall be prepared for the responsibilities and opportunities of their new day.—Excerpt from the Inaugural Address of President David D. Jones, of Bennett College, May 25, 1927.

THE complete fulfillment of the dream of President David D. Jones, of Bennett College, expressed on the occasion of his inauguration, was realized when on April 18, 1941, representatives of all branches of The Methodist Church united on the campus of Bennett College to see a building dedicated which had been made possible through sacrificial gifts of some three thousand women. Also on that day the cornerstone was laid in the Annie Merner Pfeiffer Chapel, gift of Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer, of New York City. Carrie Barge Residence Hall, gift of The Woman's Home Missionary Society of The Methodist Church, was the building dedicated, Dr. Rollin H. Walker, of Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio, alma mater of Carrie Barge, delivering the speech of dedication.

"Three thousand women gave small amounts of money, their perpetual memberships, which made this building possible, with the hope and the prayer that it will continue to be a building that will inspire great leadership and Christian service," said Mrs. Foss Zartman, of Lima, Ohio, treasurer of the former Woman's Home Missionary Society. The interest of these women, coupled with that of all women of Methodism, represented by the Woman's Division of Christian Service, many of whom were present, made the day significant for Bennett College and for the young women who will live and work on its campus in the years that are ahead.

Cornerstone Laying Impressive

Mrs. J. D. Bragg, President of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, stressed the importance of character-building. Dr. Thomas F. Holgate, treasurer of the board of trustees of Bennett College, in behalf of the Board of Education of The Methodist Church, said in part, "We congratulate Bennett College on the responsibility that has been placed in its hands by

The gathering at the laying of the cornerstone of the Annie Merner Pfeiffer Chapel, Mrs. Pfeiffer's latest gift to the Bennett College, now under construction and bearing her name. Reading from left to right: Dr. Thomas F. Holgate, treasurer of the board of trustees of Bennett College; Mrs. J. D. Bragg, President of the Woman's Division of Christian Service; Mrs. Garfield D. Merner, neice of Mrs. Pfeiffer; Mrs. W. H. C. Goode, former president of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, vice-president of the board of trustees of Bennett College; Dr. W. C. Jackson, president of the board of trustees of Bennett College; and Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer, with trowel in hand.

A gathering of officials at the dedication of the new Carrie Barge Residence Hall. Reading from left to right: Mrs. Foss Zartman, Mrs. H. C. Black, Miss Louise Young, Miss Hannah P. Miller.

the erection of this chapel which shall stand on the campus for those who come, not only as a memorial to the gracious lady who has made it possible, but as a memorial to religion as an essential element in an effective educational program."

Mrs. Pfeiffer personally laid the corner-stone, her nephew, Mr. Garfield D. Merner, in short remarks referring to the spire of the chapel "pointing Godward as a symbol of love in a war-torn world." Participating in the service also were Mrs. Merner, Dr. Jackson Davis, of the General Education Board; Rev. J. E. Brower, Rev. W. T. Lomax, and Dean P. A. Klugh.

Dedication Ceremony

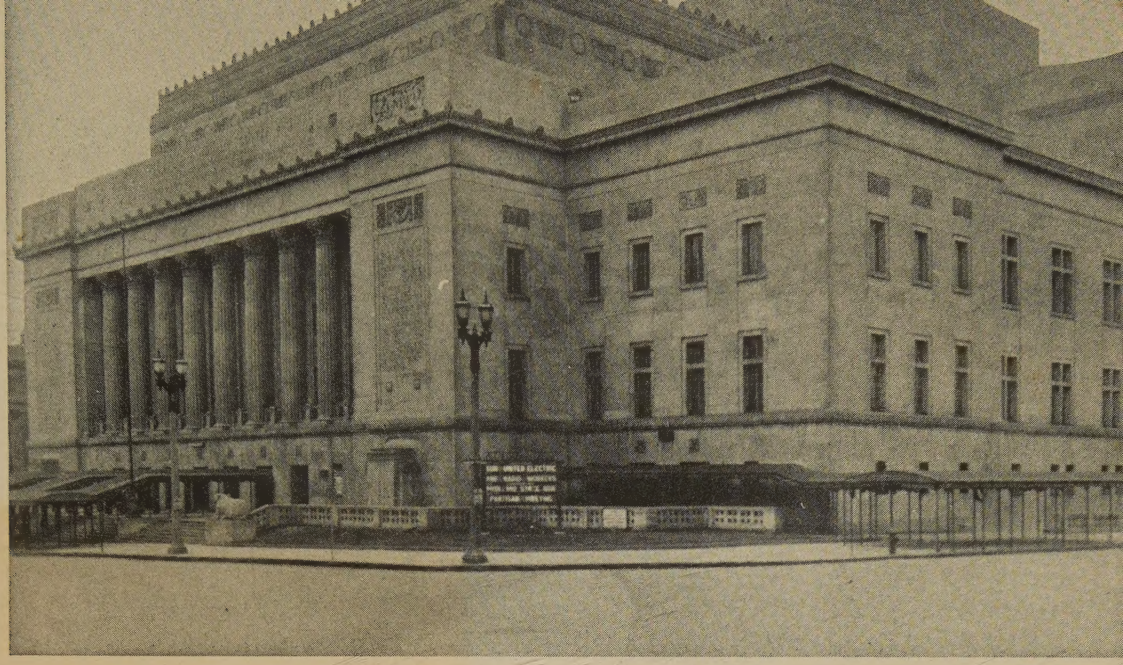
Mrs. W. H. C. Goode, president of the former Woman's Home Missionary Society, chairman of the dedication activities and vice-president of the board of trustees of Bennett College, presided at the dedication ceremonies. President Jones acknowledged the presence of the following: Mrs. H. C. Black, leader of the responsive reading, Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer, Miss Hannah P. Miller, who offered prayer, Mrs. J. N. Rodeheaver, Mrs. Goode, Mrs. W. Raymond Brown, who led the worship service, Mrs. Foss Zartman, Mrs. F. C. Reynolds, Mrs. J. D. Bragg, Mrs. Robert K. Gordon, and Mrs. David D. Jones. Others presented were: Miss Louise Young, chairman of the Standing Committee of the Wesleyan Service Guild; Miss Muriel Day, executive secretary of educational institutions; and representing neighboring units were Mrs. E. L. Hillman, president of the Southeastern Jurisdiction; Mrs. C. C. Weaver, president of the Western North Carolina Conference; Mrs. Ruth Carter, secretary of Young Women's and Girls' Work of the Central Jurisdiction.

Miss Day and Mrs. Rodeheaver, both of whom served as field workers under Miss Carrie Barge, spoke briefly. Mrs. Rodeheaver, commenting on "What Carrie Barge Meant to The Woman's Home Missionary Society," stated that she was a genius for analyzing and finding the potentialities of any situation." Miss Day, "Reminiscencing on the life of Carrie Barge," called her a statesman, one who knew sacrifice and suffering.

Dr. Walker Speaks

Dr. Walker noted in his address that the new hall was not named after a financial benefactor of Bennett College, but rather after a woman of conspicuously beautiful character and a devoted friend of the Negro people. The gospel tells that when Mary poured out the costly ointment to anoint Jesus the whole house was filled with the odor of the ointment, and the speaker suggested that a leaflet should be prepared to give to each successive generation of students that came in to occupy the hall, in order that the memory of her beautiful personality and rare devotion might be preserved, and thus the whole house continue to be filled with the odor of the ointment.

The greatness of schools is largely made up of the associations connected with the buildings and the campuses. It should be the prayer and the lifelong striving of every teacher to leave behind him a tradition that will inspire his successors. He exhorted the students also to be ambitious for such a career as would reflect dignity upon their college. The greatness of Hampton Institute is not merely in its splendid equipment and in the exalted character of its founder, General Armstrong, but in the fact that there Booker T. Washington got his start.



Auditorium Building, St. Louis

The Assembly and General Missionary Convention

By Mrs. J. D. Bragg

THE first week in December, 1941, is being set aside for one of the greatest missionary events in the history of The Methodist Church.

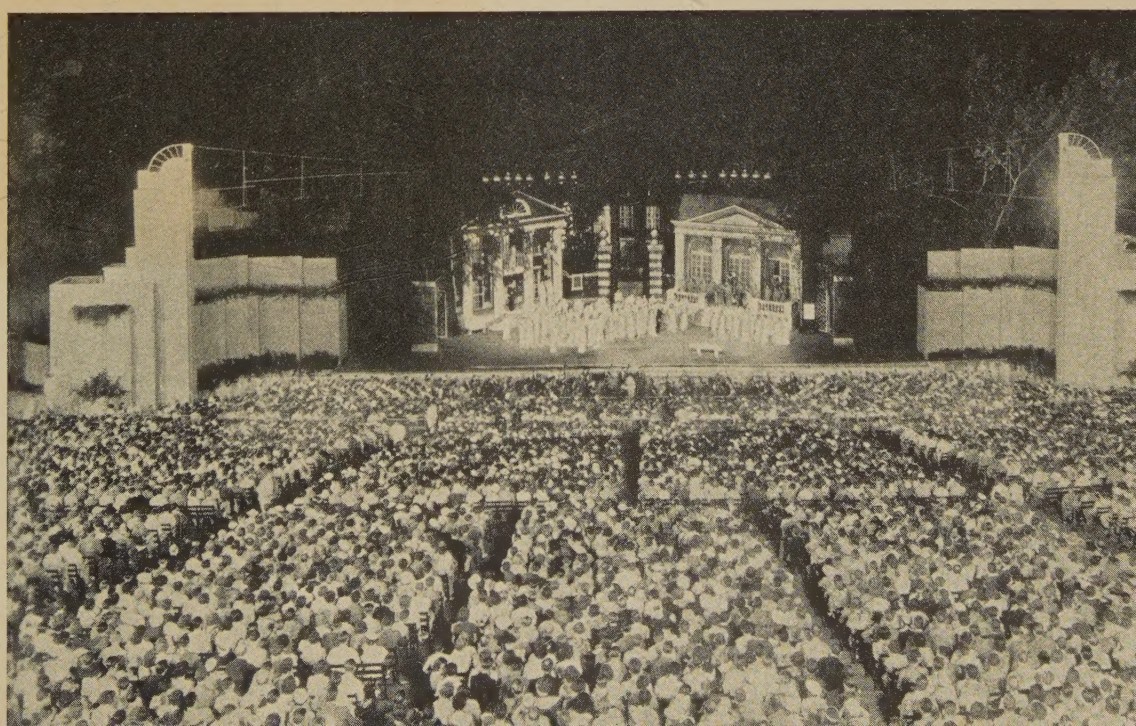
Plans are being made for the Annual Meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension to be held December 1-4, with public sessions opening on the evening of the 4th, followed with meetings of the General Missionary Council and the Assembly of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, continuing through December 7.

The place selected for this meeting is the centrally located city of St. Louis, Missouri, which is easy of access by many methods of transportation. Committees are being appointed and full details will be announced soon.

There will be mass meetings in the Opera House of the Municipal Auditorium, including the session at which deaconesses and missionaries will be consecrated according to the impressive ritual of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. Outstanding speakers are being engaged to bring messages on vital subjects of the day. Separate sessions of the Council and the Assembly will be held in Union and Centenary Churches, when matters of special concern to each of the groups will be discussed.

All general plans are under the supervision of a committee of which Bishop Arthur J. Moore, president of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, is chairman; closely associated with him are Dr. J. W. Hawley, Dr. W. G. Cram, Mrs. V. F. DeVinny, and Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, of the Joint Division of Education and Cultivation; Dr. Ralph Diffendorfer, Executive Secretary of the Division of Foreign Missions; Dr. F. W. Mueller, Executive Secretary of the Division of Home Missions; Mrs. J. D. Bragg, President of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, and others.

Watch for further details in THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK.



Municipal Opera Theatre, Forest Park, St. Louis

Nationals in Places of Leadership

Miss Liu Yu Chen

MISS LIU YU CHEN graduated at Cheeloo University, going directly after graduation to North China Conference where she worked as a country director of Religious Education. During the years spent at this work, she found that the churches of the villages could not progress unless the women and girls were trained to do volunteer work in the local church. She conceived the plan for a school for the training of such workers, swung pastors and some missionaries from prejudice against to enthusiasm for a seemingly impossible undertaking and brought the school to an unhoped-for success. Not only unmarried women came, but women with children, pastors' wives, as well as others. The work of volunteer training grew into training in the care of children, food production, etc. She is now expanding her equipment to cottages where small groups are trained in Home Management.

METHODIST women sent our first missionary into the area of Central China as early as 1873. Kiukiang has stood out as a literary center for men; but the oppressions and disabilities of womankind were extreme, even for China of that day. Infanticide was prevalent and footbinding universal. It is a long stride between these early beginnings and from the more present activities of our work, however, the spirit of these early pioneers must be linked with the courageous efforts of our present Christian leaders.

It is quite natural that we should turn to the city of Kiukiang to become acquainted with one of our splendid national leaders. It is with pleasure that we introduce Miss Grace Wu.

Miss Wu's mother was one of our early Bible women; she was also one of the first women to unbind her feet in that section of China. Miss Wu was carefully nurtured in these Christian surroundings. She came to America after having had her preliminary education in China and studied for a while in California; later, about 1926, she came to the state of Minnesota, and at this great university received her B.A. degree. Following this she returned to her native city—Kiukiang. She became the principal of Rulison Girls' High School; a school which had an enrollment at that time of 203 girls. At that time there were unsettled conditions in the country and many students were deprived of the opportunity to study. In 1933 Rulison High celebrated her sixtieth anniversary. The war has brought many changes to the school, chief of which is location. Finally the school has settled down to a fairly school routine at Suining, West China. More than 200 students are in attendance. Central China has given of necessity a splendid leader to far-away West China through the leadership of Grace Wu.

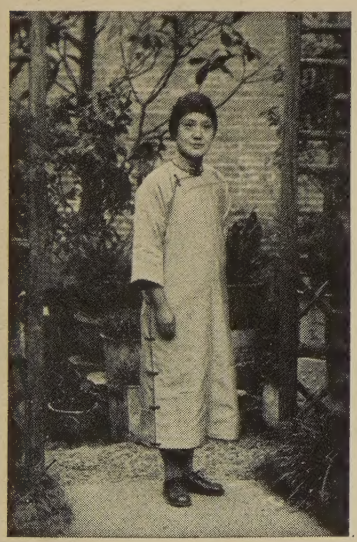
Miss Grace Wu

Dr.
Titsu Yasui

ONE of the great women of Japan is Dr. Yasui, retiring president of the Woman's Christian College of Japan in Tokyo. The present successful program and policy of the college is due, in large measure, to her leadership. From bleak and bare beginnings, she has led the school into the rich vitality of its present even as the bare, unlovely campus of former years has been transformed into a fair garden, beautiful even in a country where standards of garden beauty are high.

Miss Yoshi
Tokunaga

DR. ALICE HWANG graduated from Soochow Women's Medical Hospital in 1916. She studied at the Philadelphia Woman's Medical College, at New York Post Graduate School of Medicine, and did some hospital work in the Massachusetts General Hospital. Upon her return to China, Dr. Ida Kahn was stricken very ill and Dr. Hwang was asked to look after the Kahn Hospital. Death took its toll of this great leader, Dr. Kahn, and Dr. Hwang continued at this post. She served here for two years. Later she continued her studies at Peking Union Medical College in obstetrics and gynecology and was ready to open her own work in some city without hospitalization for women. She went to Changshu, the home of her ancestors, and founded a work there. Several times she was forced to abandon her post because of war conditions and move into the interior of China. Today this splendid Christian woman carries on wherever God leads.

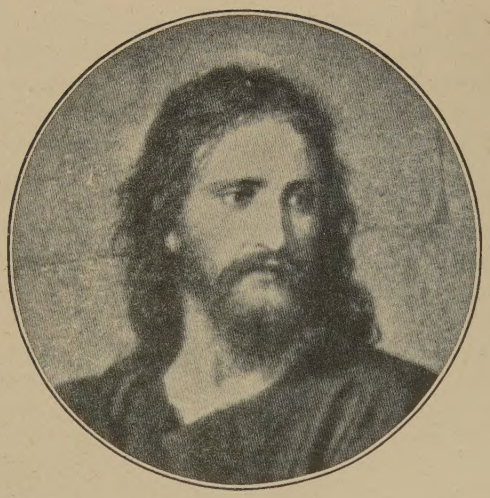


Dr. Alice
Hwang

MISS YOSHI TOKUNAGO is the gracious and devotedly Christian principal of Fukuoka Jo Gakko, Fukuoka, Japan. While she was a graduate student at Boston University she made many friends in this country who remember her with admiration and respect. About four years ago she succeeded Miss Harriet Howey as principal of this Girls' School, which is the oldest on the Island of Kyusha. The fifty-fifth anniversary of its founding was observed in May, 1940.

The student body is composed largely of the daughters of professional men connected with the Imperial University. The school is fairly "bursting out its walls" and rooms are being enlarged to accommodate larger classes. Last year a new gymnasium was built and dedicated. It is used practically all the time—even on Sunday for the street Sunday school.

Miss Tokunaga and her staff of teachers continually plan how to strengthen the spiritual life of the school. The girls in large numbers attend Sunday school in the city churches, a dozen of them teach Bible classes every Sunday, some assist the evangelistic workers, and they carry on various religious activities in the school. She is loyally bearing the burden of the present problems, believing that Christian contacts will not easily lose their force for the bringing of the Kingdom.



"A Sanctuary"

By Mrs. Fred C. Reynolds

"PRAYER is a sanctuary no terror can invade." These words are a brief sentence in one of the meditations prepared by Gaius Glenn Atkins for the Lenten season of 1941. They lead us into some thought-provoking by-paths.

They imply, first, that we may be facing terror. There is no doubt that across the waters of the Atlantic and throughout the continents on the other side of the world terror is stalking. This is not a welcome topic at a luncheon or dinner table. It is said that it is not healthful for us to think much about such suffering; we could not endure it long; it would injure us. But those words, "a sanctuary no terror can invade," seem to say we may be needing a sanctuary from distress ourselves.

Terror comes unwarranted to many. The pages of history are covered with the tales of unmerited terrors—terror of fire, of water, of winds and storms, of pestilence and inquisition and war. It may be the lot of our peace-loving America. How shall we meet it? Where shall we find refuge?

Again, terror can and does penetrate all material places of shelter. The building dedicated to religious worship, commonly called "the sanctuary," is not immune. The picture of the wrecked auditorium of Dr. Leslie Weatherhead's church in the heart of London, the twisted supports, the shattered windows, tell graphically the story of the vulnerability of man-made holy citadels. It is not the lofty nave, the guarding chancel rail, nor even the gold cross and the consecrated ground that make a church a sanctuary. These simply mark the spot, put walls about the space where the real sanctuary may be established: the touch of spirit with spirit. Contact with God—prayer—is the one indestructible refuge in the time of trouble. It is of the Spirit.

So, come what may in the turmoil of the world, God has not left us defenseless. In communion with Him not only are we safe and undisturbed, but we find strength, courage, a steadying of nerves, and a clearing of confused thinking. It may be that thus the sanctuary becomes a garrison from which the mighty forces of God go forth to destroy the terrors of the earth.

God help us so to make it.

Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities

The Church and the Jew

By Henry Seymour Brown, D.D.

IN DISCUSSING the Church and the Jews today, I would lay down this thesis as fundamental: The whole cause of historic Christianity stands or falls with Jewish missions—if by missions you mean evangelizing the Jews in the widest and truest sense. The Jew has been brought, by God's providence, in tremendous numbers to our Church's very doors, as God's own challenge to test the vitality and the fidelity of his Church. Of the Jew in our Church's parishes, it may be truly said, "The Judge is at the door."

Who has the truth? Herbert Willett, in his book *The Jew Through the Centuries*, says, "Aggressive attempts at conversion of this unhappy people have

proved quite impossible?" Dr. Samuel Zwemer says, however, "If missions to the Jews are a mistake and a folly, then the mistake and the folly rest on the shoulders of our Lord, and on the shoulders of the Apostles. The first fourteen Bishops of Jerusalem, according to Eusebius, were all converted Jews. Hegesippus, the historian of the second century; Cardinal Kimenes, compiler of the complutensian Polyglot, 1517; Neander, the Church historian, 1813; Ginsburg, the Hebraist; Edersheim and Adolph Saphir, commentators—all of them converted Jews, and interpreters of the Old and New Testaments to Christendom. And when you come to archaeology you have Moses Margoliouth of the British Museum. And when you think of music you come to Mendelssohn, and Sir Arthur Sullivan, and Halevy, and Mayerbeer, and Offenbach, and Rubinstein—all Jews who laid their music at the feet of Jesus Christ."

The battle is not only over Jewish missions—it is all across the world. The Laymen's Foreign Missions report seemed to agree with the position of the Jewish rabbis as voiced by Rabbi Levy, who says: "Missionary endeavor is to be pursued, not for the purpose of making Christians, but for disseminating religion. What the world needs is not your religion or mine, but religion in general." The struggle is not with Jewish missions—it is with the very heart of the gospel. Compare the Laymen's report, which said: "If through growing appreciation and borrowing the vitality of genuine religion is anywhere increased, the Christian may well rejoice in that fact. He will look forward, not to destruction of these religions, but to their continued co-existence with Christianity, each stimulating the other in growth toward the ultimate goal —unity in the completest religious truth."

My contention is that this position of Herbert Willett, the Jewish rabbis, and the Laymen's report is the surrender of all that is essential and distinctive in Christianity. It makes Christianity simply one of many excellent religions, all of which are feeling after God if happily they may find him.

If we accept their definition of the aim of Christian missions, we have moved back from the New Testament into the Old, have surrendered Christianity to a sort of unitarian ethical culture, have eliminated all essential difference between an enlightened reformed Jewish rabbi and a Protestant preacher, and have labeled Paul a mistaken zealot—a bigoted fanatic who misunderstood Christianity.

The Laymen's report in its summary says: "The aim of Christian missions is to seek with people of other lands a true knowledge and love of God, expressing in life and word what we have learned through Jesus Christ, and endeavoring to give effect to his spirit in the life of the world." This, of course, is pure Unitarianism, magnificent but not Christian. Hocking's recent book seems to indicate that he stands here also. Rabbi Freehof virtually agrees as he closes his *Stormers of Heaven*, for he says: "The personality of Jesus was such that his Sonship to God was magnificently evident. The divine spirit seemed manifest in his words and deeds. He impressed himself upon the world, perhaps more so than other prophets or saints as a child of the living God. His genius is not one of doctrine nor of organization. These things were added to him. It is distinctly one of direct influence. He brought God near to men through his presence. He made the divine personal for myriads of worshipers, and posterity in gratitude has made his personality divine. All great religions are Messianic. Moses made religion ethical; Zoroaster made social progress a religious duty. Buddha made pessimism altruistic; Jesus, through the power of his adored personality, made God a comrade; Mohammed made religion a world democracy. Each taught a different message. There is a common element in their teachings. Each succeeding revolutionary moved religion farther along the road of personal and social righteousness. Perhaps the age waits for some genius who shall gather the fragmentary ideals of our time, and in the fire of his ardent personality fuse them into a bell whose tones shall awaken the slumbering souls of men." Well, that is beautiful, wonderfully beautiful; but if these are right and Paul was wrong, the sum of it all then is the question of imprisoned John the Baptist to the one he baptized at Jordan: "Art thou he that should come, or must we look for another?" The answer that must be given if Jewish missions are wrong and the Laymen's report is right, is: "We are all together still wistfully looking for another." Christianity is not a discovery but a quest. Its great and final work is not "Eureka, we have found him of whom Moses and the prophets did speak—Jesus—come and see," but rather the pathetic and beautiful poem of Lowell:

"New occasions teach new duties;
Time makes ancient good uncouth,
They must upward and still onward
Who would keep abreast of Truth;
Lo, before us gleam their campfires!
We ourselves must Pilgrims be,
Launch our Mayflower and steer boldly
Through the desperate winter sea,
Nor attempt the Future's portal
With the Past's blood-rusted key."

Left to right, first row: Dr. Axling, Hon. Mr. Matsuyama, Mrs. Trowbridge, Miss Lyon, Bishop Abe, Miss Kawai, Mrs. Bowen, Rev. Mr. Kozaki, Dr. Horton, Mr. Saito. *Second Row:* Dr. Warnshuis, Bishop Stevens, Dr. Day, Bishop Baker, Mr. Barnes, Dr. Diffendorfer, Dr. Latourette, Dr. Johnson, Dr. Shafer, Mr. Fisher. *Third row:* Dr. Ross, Dr. Yuasa, Dr. Kagawa, Dr. Wentz, Rev. Mr. Ogawa.

The Riverside Japanese-American Christian Conference

By Galen Fisher

HALFWAY between Tokyo and Washington an old hostelry, planted in the orange groves of Southern California, symbolizes the work of the early Spanish missionary. To this Mission Inn at Riverside came a modern group of spiritual pioneers in late April, as nine Japanese and seventeen American church leaders met in conference on April 20. Whether it was the warmth and peaceful beauty of the setting or the desperate seriousness of the present world situation, the group became singularly unified in spirit at the outset of the five days of meeting.

Though but a handful from the numerical standpoint, these leaders represented a variety of experience and were fused with an intensity of spiritual earnestness.

Led by Bishop Abe, due to the death of Rev. Shiroshi Tada on the eve of sailing from Japan, the Japanese delegation included such additional well-known leaders as: Dr. Kagawa, Miss Michi Kawai, Rev. Michio Kozaki, and others.

Gathered for prayer and fellowship, the conference sought ways to make the contribution of Christians to world peace and to the ecumenical church.

Busy as were the days with a full order of somewhat formal presentations followed by detailed discussions and with "free" intervals occupied by committees and drafting groups, yet the atmosphere was unhurried.

The long series of steps leading to the amalgamation of twenty-eight Christian bodies into the new body entitled, "The Church of Christ of Japan," was described. The fact that the story was told by the two men who have been foremost in bringing the union to pass, namely, Bishop Y. Abe, chairman, and the Rev. M. Kozaki, vice-chairman, of the Executive Committee, places upon the story the seal of unimpeachable authority.

The essential facts presented by them were as follows:

The union marks the consummation of the long-cherished desire of Japanese Christians and missionaries in various branches of the church, a desire which found expression in 1872, in the constitution of the first modern church organized in Japan.

This consummation was due to the interaction of both inner and outer influences playing upon the Christian movement, but it was accomplished by the voluntary decision of Japanese Christians themselves, and not to any compulsion exerted by the government.

The twenty-eight uniting bodies range all the way from the large, and long independent, churches, such as the Nihon Kirisuto Kyokai, the Methodist, and the Kumiai, to the various smaller bodies which have been partially directed by missionaries or supported by foreign funds. "The Church of Christ in Japan" itself is entirely independent of foreign control and funds, although it welcomes the continued co-operation of foreign missionaries. The only large Christian body not embraced within the new body, aside from the Roman Catholic and Greek Orthodox Communions, is the Nippon Seikokai, which is related to the Anglican-Episcopal Church; but the relations between the new united church and the leaders of the Seikokai have remained most cordial, and it is thought by many to be only a matter of time when the Seikokai will enter the union. Meanwhile the bonds that have knit them in fellowship with their brethren in the other bodies will be unimpaired.

The Old and New Testaments and the entire Apostles' Creed were unanimously adopted by the united body as its standard of faith.

The precise relationship to the new church of the foreign missionaries who elect to serve it still remains to be determined, but it is already clear that they will work under the direction of the church. The leaders of the church believe that there are still large opportunities of distinctive service for missionaries, in various types of work, provided they are persons of proper training, or sterling Christian character, and of adaptable disposition.

Statements from the groups of the conference made a profound impression upon the American members of the Riverside Conference. They recognized in the formation of "The Church of Christ in Japan" an achievement of Christian statesmanship, the realization of the hopes of two generations of missionaries, and the beginning of an epoch in the history of Christianity in Japan.

Formal Message of Appreciation to American Churches to the Mission Boards and Our Brothers and Sisters in Christ in the United States

During the past six months, two epoch-making events have taken place within the life of the Japanese Christian Church.

First, this church has adopted a policy of self-government and complete self support.

In the second place, "The Church of Christ in Japan" has been established, uniting in one Christian fellowship forty-two different Christian bodies.

As we stand at this momentous milestone and look back over the past eighty years of the history of the Protestant Church in Japan, we are keenly conscious of our very great indebtedness to the mission boards and our fellow Christians in the United States.

In the pioneer stage, your missionaries led us into the Christian faith and enabled us to lay the foundation for the Christian movement in the Japanese Empire. From that time until the present day you have sent us a host of devoted missionaries, and without stint extended us financial assistance. In addition your prayers and sympathetic interest have been a constant inspiration and encouragement to us.

We cannot find words with which to express our heartfelt gratitude for all that you have done to further the Christian cause in our land.

In concluding this inadequate expression of gratitude, we cannot fail to register our sincere hope that even though financial relations no longer obtain between us, we earnestly crave your continued co-operation through missionaries sent by you to work within the framework of the Japanese Church. Above all, we crave your constant prayers and an ever-deepening mutual experience of the fact that we are one in Christ.

In behalf of "The Church of Christ in Japan."

The Japan Christian Fellowship Deputation.

(Presented by Bishop Yoshimune Abe, Chairman of the Japanese Group.)

Formal Message From the Conference

To our fellow Christians in all lands—

Christian Greetings:

We have met under the cloud of conflict, destruction, and fear that darkens the world. With heavy and humble hearts we have been constantly aware of the sorrow and suffering that afflict men everywhere. We have sought forgiveness for our share of responsibility for the tragedy of the world and have implored divine light and strength that we may know and do the will of God.

We bear witness to you that we have found our peace in Christ Jesus "who hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us."

We thank God for the mutual confidence and trust which have here been strengthened between the emerging Church of Christ in Japan and the churches in the United States. We look forward to increasing strength and insight through our new associations.

Renewed in faith by our own experience together, we express our conviction that if the problems which harass the world could be faced in conference by the leaders of the nations in the spirit of Christ, there is no obstacle that could not be overcome.

We have committed ourselves before God to a ministry of love, forebearance, and reconciliation with the people of all lands. We call upon our fellow Christians to join with us in a rededication to God's will, in confident trust that the victory will be His and that loyal discipleship in Christ is never futile. We have solemnly pledged to one another an abiding comradeship in prayer and earnestly invite our brothers and sisters in all lands to join this fellowship.

Rev. Toyohiko Kagawa

Bishop Yoshimune Abe

Miss Michi Kawai

Malaya's Methodist Women Mobilize

By Mrs. Edwin Lee

Mrs. Edwin Lee

"COULD you possibly come to my house this afternoon at four-thirty; the Wesley Church Woman's Society of Christian Service is meeting with me?" Thus a hesitant, familiar voice welcomed me to Singapore in early December. Perhaps my caller's uncertainty was due to the fact that I had not yet had time to remove my hat and my attention was, at the moment, focused upon the eighteen pieces of travel-worn luggage which were perilously mounting the stairs, piece by piece, on the head of a none-too-sturdy Malay. The disposal of all these goods must have discouraged her, as it would me under ordinary circumstances. But now, suffused with rare satisfaction at having arrived safely over mined waters, by devious routes, on blacked-out ships I seemed able to view life in its true perspective. Back—after months of shunting about over land and sea, of General Conference and those which followed in its train—back to the happy routine of life which starts for us in peaceful, well-defended Singapore.

It was to start, then, with the Woman's Society of Christian Service. A few minutes late, I slipped into the only seat left and was at once attracted to the sentiment and language uttered in a soft British accent. Could this reading have been taken from the worship program prepared by the American woman? I recalled having sent a few copies out to the field. There was no mistaking that blue cover, nor the portions which followed, culled from *Investing Our Heritage.* Methodist missionaries en route to India who were present, expressed themselves much as I felt—truly inspired from Atlantic City where this program had taken final form, were not only demonstrating the fact of the words, "we may speak different languages, wear strange clothes, eat dissimilar food, et cetera," but were finding the same joy in the heritage, which for some of them begins with their own generation. In the weeks following this meeting I have discovered plenty of evidence that they are also feeling the urge "to administer that heritage faithfully."

True, Wesley Church Woman's Society is made up of a more advanced, privileged membership than is frequently found in the Orient. Yet in the larger churches throughout the Malay Peninsula there has been a growing consciousness of woman's essential part in the development of the church. It has taken a little over a half century to reach this stage. Our Girls' Schools struggled through long discouraging years to release woman from binding customs, religious prejudices, and superstitions which stifled and degraded her personality. Those early church congregations were made up largely of men and school boys, with a pitiably small handful of courageous older women and of boarding-school girls sitting modestly as far removed as possible from men. Today we are still struggling toward the ideal fellowship where men and women shall assume their rightful places in the church, conscious that they are "neither bond nor free; male nor female, but one in Christ Jesus." But meanwhile the Christian woman has gained confidence in her ability and has discovered that there is both power and satisfaction in group action. When the cause has proved urgent enough our women have carried this strength outside the local church into the community, into the field of social relations.

A remarkable illustration of this occurred some time ago in Borneo. Fifteen Chinese Christian women, Methodists, petitioned the Resident of the Third Division in Sarawak to make laws to stop "the pernicious custom that has been introduced into the colony during the last few years—plurality of wives." They stated boldly and with fervor that it was because the Foochow colony was

founded as a Christian colony and had remained so until this evil had begun that they felt it their duty to make this request. They did not ask it for Hokkiens or others who were not Christian and were accustomed to the practice of polygamy. For Foochows they were sure the following two laws would be sufficient to stop it.

"(1) Any Foochow, whether married by the Christian Church or not, taking a second wife while his first is living, shall make over one-half of his property to his lawful wife, she to be granted a divorce, and free to do as she pleases with her share.

"(2) Any Foochow married by the Christian Church shall also make over one-half of his property to his lawful wife, and get a term of imprisonment in addition for the crime of adultery." These laws were passed. The fight against the importation of second wives, sold in the colony to non-Christians has not relaxed. And I believe the Sarawak Government turns to our church in Sibu for practical aid in the solution of this problem. Such power as these Borneo women expressed, harnessed to the man power of our church in Asia, exercised not only in time of crisis, but with organized regularity, could transform our communities.

The chief obstacle in making this very special talent of woman available to the whole church program has been the delicate point affecting the traditional relationship of the sexes. The average Asiatic pastor is keenly sensitive to any slightest infringement upon his position or dignity. The new plan, we believe, will help us greatly in overcoming this difficulty in that it so clearly recognizes the pastor as the key person in the church and specifies him as convener of the women in their initial meeting. The creation of the "Local Church Board of Missions and Church Extension" seems to us to furnish an ideal opportunity for women to make their special contribution in cooperative activities.

THE foregoing will probably explain why we have fostered the Church Missionary Society instead of promoting a Woman's Missionary Society. Woman's ability "to take the long-range view and to furnish persistence in the effort to attain the ideal" makes her of peculiar value in the long task of evangelizing the world. The whole church needs the stimulus of her talent. Our Conference Missionary Committees include both men and women. Our budget of four thousand dollars United States currency provides for the support of four Batak missionary families from our Sumatra Church, three of whom work among the Sakai, aborigines of the Malay Peninsula; the other is now settled in the heart of the Dyak-land of Borneo. Part support is given, also, to Malay Hostel work, and to one Chinese and two Indian families who are extending our church-school program among their own nationals who are pioneering in the outlying Malay States. Haphazard giving has marked the collection of these funds which have come largely from Sunday schools, Epworth Leagues, individual givers, and the Ladies' Aid Societies. This "Home Missionary Society" is enthusiastic at the prospect of the Woman's Society undertaking to prepare a program of education and cultivation. With intelligent systematic giving this budget can easily be doubled. As yet only casual attention has been given to World Missions but a study of some "foreign" field is provided for in the new program.

CONEERENCE Woman's Societies of Christian Service were organized in both the Malaya Annual and the Chinese Mission Conferences in January. During the two weeks following both groups have made progress. The *Guide* so ably prepared by the women in the United States has been abridged for use by the English and Malay-speaking societies. It has also been translated into Chinese. Program committees are now preparing suggested monthly programs for all races and dialects in Malaya Methodism. The first meeting of the Chinese Conference Executive Committee was held at my home and the three-hour session was as animated as might be inferred when twelve women were trying to express themselves in English, Hokkien, Cantonese, and Foochow. Enthusiasm, intelligence, and a deep consecration marked the adventure into an advanced program for united womanhood in Malaya.

When you consider that our churches in the Malay Peninsula are almost entirely self-supporting, you will realize that the function of the Woman's Society is little different from that in the United States. The same familiar terms greet your ear though in a variety of dialects, "bazaars," "teas," "entertainments." You will hear something of "gift boxes" too; and of Christmas boxes for the poor. The report of the honorable treasurer will sound natural: so much toward the new organ. The same sigh at the word "debt," the same relief "paid in full." But you will hear and see at present, emergency activities in behalf of China and Great Britain, now fighting for their very existence. Knitting, sewing, and raising funds for the relief of the wounded. The wife of our Singapore Tamil pastor recently told me with mingled pride and regret of the success of the

"Variety Entertainment" which their Woman's Society had put on, with long hard effort, in the Victoria Theater. They netted eight hundred dollars, United States currency, but more than half of it went into the war-fund, specifically for the relief of the Indian soldiers and their families. There were so many ways the church could have used that money now that they have at last paid off the final installment of the debt which has depressed them for thirteen years.

It was the Methodist women who kept the Woman's Christian Temperance Union alive in Malaya for years. Our church is noted for its determined stand against gambling, intemperance, cabarets. In January our Conference Committee on Public Morals made a strong statement against the proposed legalization of public lotteries in Malaya as an aid to the war-fund. Since this war-fund makes an almost irresistible appeal in time of crisis there was great concern by the time the bill reached the Legislative Council. During the debate most effective reference was made to the stand of the Methodists in the Colony by a prominent government official. The bill was decisively defeated. Organized righteousness has an overwhelming challenge where the evils of the modern West were joining those of the ancient East. Malaya's Methodist women are mobilizing to meet this challenge.

If my enthusiasm has led me to present a picture of national women so self-sufficient, so progressive as to arrest the sympathetic missionary interest of the American women I should be of all missionary beggars the most miserable. It seems to me these facts ought rather to create confidence in the sending church that their seed-sowing through fifty years is bearing fruit abundantly. The task is not finished. When the indigenous church begins to walk alone, that is the very time it is most appreciative of the missionary with the understanding heart. That too is the time of the missionary's greatest opportunity, as well as of his severest testing. *Now, now,* is certainly not the time to let go the hand, but to reach out and grasp it more firmly as these "younger" Methodists fit themselves into the program of the church as outlined in the *Discipline,* and assure them that you will not fail them until they have gained strength enough and faith enough to carry on by themselves the great task of redemption.

Southern Mountain Workers' Conference

By John Paul Boatman

THE Conference of Southern Mountain Workers held its twenty-ninth annual meeting March 4-6, in the First Baptist Church, at Knoxville, Tennessee. All speeches and discussion topics were built around the general theme, "The Democratic Community."

Mr. Rockwell C. Smith, associate secretary of the American Country Life Association, opened the Tuesday-evening session of the Conference with a most lucid and impressive analysis of the meaning of rural culture. He indicated that rural culture could only be said to possess "unity" in the sense that it was one extreme of a social continuum that ranged from urban life at one end and rural life and culture at the other.

Then very carefully Mr. Smith indicated the characteristics of rural culture as opposed to urban. Two distinctions he made are especially noteworthy: the social unit in the city is the individual—self-reliant, independent; the social unit in rural communities is the family. Again, in the city, contacts are categorical, i.e. individuals react to one another as holders of particular jobs; in nonurban communities individuals make contacts with one another on a personal, sympathetic, and total plane—a person is a person, his job is of secondary importance.

On Wednesday the Conference divided into three groups to discuss the questions: The School as a Community Center; Putting Our Folk Religion to Work; and Co-operatives and the Common Folk. A general session followed in the afternoon when the conclusions of the various discussion bodies were reported to the whole Conference by their respective consultants. Some of the important points of each report follow:

Those Conference members discussing the topic —"The School as a Community Center," concluded that the school, public and private, should serve interests outside of its school-age population alone. The great need of the day is for co-ordination of all agencies in a community for the promotion of the common good. Among these is the school, which, with the home and church, must abandon the illu-

sion that it influences the child most, and realize that a child is influenced most of all by the manner in which a community earns its daily bread. Therefore, the school must learn to co-operate with other agencies in the community to influence realistically the extra-curricular life of the student and his human environment.

That group discussing the topic "Putting Our Folk Religion to Work," concluded that there were several practices and ideals of human fellowship in those ecstatic religious sects in a community making their appeal through some special interpretation of the Bible and traditional doctrine or by means of some extra biblical practice and claim to special communion with God through some mystic and emotional method, independent of usual traditional and biblical means. This Conference group felt that we of the traditional church may borrow with benefit some of the particular strengths of these ecstatic sects, the practice of making our churches local and lay in activity, ministering to the emotional needs of a congregation through warm human fellowship in church activities, and creating an intelligent, intensive, reverent Bible religion out of the specialized, intellectual appeal now made in many of our churches.

The Conference group discussing "Co-operatives and the Common People," discovered an important principle in making co-operatives succeed. "Never get the government to do anything that a private organization can do." The Rev. George Nell, the consultant of that group, elaborated this principle at greater length in the evening during the fellowship dinner by examples from his work in Illinois where the co-operative principle was made to work among a farming population after much difficulty.

The Reverend Nell's speech on "Organized Working Together for Better Living," was folfolowed by two special group meetings to discuss the topics, "Training Mountain People in Democratic Living," and "Rural Church and Co-operatives," under the chairmanship of Mr. Victor Obenhaus and Mr. Elmer Gabbard, respectively.

The former group suggested that various forms of student government, conferences in nature like the present one, but with student participation, and experimental educational practices tend to promote a democratic attitude in the student toward his life and problems.

The latter group explored further the implications of the Reverend Nell's work in co-operatives and the problem of how the rural church could aid in and be a center for such communal activities.

Thursday was devoted to a business session in the morning, followed by reports from members experimenting in new directions of service, the reports being given under the chairmanship of Mr. Glyn T. Morris.

The Conference was concluded by a panel discussion in the afternoon, under the chairmanship of Miss Olive D. Campbell, on the general topic, "Different Approaches to a Folk Movement."

Not to be forgotten were the inspiring devotional messages of the Rev. T. B. Cowan on Wednesday and Thursday mornings upon the subjects, "Religion—Form or Force?" and "The Glory of a Hostile Environment." The former topic Reverend Cowan elaborated to point out that no church exists as a living church unless its faith becomes a force, unbound with routine and unnecessary ritual that may cramp the free play of the spirit in its proper sphere—the direction of life toward ideals not toward routines of materialistic concern.

There were seven of our workers present at the Conference representing Alvan Drew School, Ritter Hall, Pfeiffer Junior College, Erie School, and Wood Junior College. The Conference as a whole proved inspirational, suggestive, and experimental rather than conclusive and final in its attitude toward the data that were presented, a most healthy and hopeful sign for concrete results to come in the future.

Miss Frances Baker, Assistant Secretary of Missionary Personnel for the entire Board of Missions and Church Extension

Tourist Map

The August issue of the *Adult Student* carries a tourist map and key. If you are interested in this tourist map showing Methodist home mission projects in the United States, secure a copy of the August number of the *Adult Student* from 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tennessee. Price, 10 cents.

Did your church put on the Church-Wide Subscription Campaign

Program Suggestions for June, July, and August

By Mrs. H. W. B. Detwiler, Vice-President Northeastern Jurisdiction Woman's Society of Christian Service

"I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do all things, but I can do something. What I can do I should do. What I should do, by the help of God I will do."

June

"Blessed Is the Nation Whose God Is the Lord"
Topic: *Temperance and Narcotics.*

I. Atmosphere:
- a) Posters on display. (*See Investing Our Heritage, page 110*).
- b) Scientific Temperance display. (Invite Woman's Christian Temperance Union or Temperance leader in locality to set it up. Have them speak in the meeting on "Temperance Education in the Public Schools.")
- c) Table containing foodstuff with the accompanying placard—"2 Beers a day for a week will buy—."
- d) Attractive corner of Frances Willard display; books on her life, clippings, pictures, bust. Have someone there to answer questions about her life.

II. Invitations:
- a) Small church or temple with the words, "Our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit." Time and place.

or

- b) Small paper booklet. On front cover write the words, "Woman's Society of Christian Service." Time and place. The following verse might be printed on the inside:

A Christian Is
A mind through which Christ thinks.
A heart through which Christ speaks.
A hand through which Christ helps.
Back cover (printed): "Am I my brother's keeper?"

III. Devotions (your choice):
- a) Worship programs, page 21. (Special emphasis on Romans 12.)
- b) "Frances Willard."
  Hymns of courage. Scripture, Joshua 1, 1-3. Three short topics on Frances Willard: Resourceful educator; organizer of a great army; servant of God. (Also see articles in *Christian Advocate,* September 14, 1939; *Union Signal* for July, 1936. Thrilling article by Mrs. Chitambar on Woman's Christian Temperance Union in India.)
- c) Quiet meditation on age-old statement, "Everybody's doing it," showing the falseness of the statement.

IV. Program:
- a) Investing Our Heritage (choose parts of program of interest to group).
- b) Broadcast "Facts about our local conditions"; alcohol, narcotics, marihuana.
- c) Discussion: "Living consistently with the Temperance Pledge," or "Should a Christian patronize hotels or restaurants that serve liquor?" (An "experience meeting" on these subjects will probably strengthen some of your women.)
- d) Article: The Methodist Woman for January, 1941, pages 14, 15.
- e) Present dramatic sketches from Board of Temperance. Write for catalogue. Board of Temperance, Methodist Building, Washington, D. C.
- f) Present in part or whole the marvelous monolog, "The Life of Frances Willard: The Uncrowned Queen," by Jane Good. Secure from Signal Press, Evanston, Illinois. Price, 25 cents per copy, or three copies for 50 cents.

V. Fellowship:
Exchange of *good* temperance drinks for "good old summer time."

1. Woman's Society of Christian Service Special:
   One quart orange Pekoe tea, 1 large can crushed pineapple, 1 cup lemon juice, 2 cups orange juice, 3 cups sugar, 2 quarts water. Boil 2 sticks cinnamon with 2 cups water ten minutes. Strain, add sugar. Boil three minutes. Add to above ingredients. Add fresh mint leaves, cherries, strawberries, or green ice cubes when ready to serve. Serves 30.
2. "Japanese Cherry."
   Two cups orange juice, 2 cups lemon juice, 2 cups cherry juice, 2 cups pineapple juice, 9 cups water, 3 cups sugar, 9 mint leaves, 4 cups tea. Steep mint leaves in the water, simmer five minutes. Add to the above and allow to stand one hour. Add colored ice cubes. Serves 42.
3. "Red, White, and Blue Punch."
   Juice of 8 lemons strained, 1½ pints cherry juice, 1 pint grape juice. Add water and sugar to taste. To each glass add ice cubes.
4. "Honolulu Tea."
   Simmer cubes of pineapple in one-half cup pineapple juice and two tablespoonsful sugar until syrup is absorbed. Serve three cubes to each cup of hot tea.
5. "Orange Blossom Tea."
   Measure 2½ tablespoonsful orange aid syrup, add crushed ice and fill with cold water. (Orange aid syrup: combine 2 cups of Red Label Karo with juice of six oranges and two lemons. Pour into jar and cover.)

July and August

"The World Is My Parish"

Women of our church, if you will take your books, *Worship Programs* and *Investing Our Heritage* for July and August, you will *have* to *have* a meeting regardless—out of sheer impulse or, better, an impassioned love of our Heavenly Father. It may mean that just a few who are home, but probably it will mean many more visitors and friends! Look!

To The Methodist Woman and World Outlook, May 4-11, 1941?

JULY: Topic, *Stewardship as Applied to Co-operation* (The Church's One Foundation).

AUGUST: Topic, *Stewardship of Values* (When I meet God, all life gains a new meaning").

JULY: Topic, *Investing Our Heritage for Co-operative Work in Methodism* (Our great World Federation of Methodist Women Speak).

AUGUST: Topic, *Investing Our Heritage in Interdenominational Co-operative Work* (Co-operative Christian Forces. The mightiest power in the world).

Atmosphere:

A lovely wooded spot.
A mountain side.
Beside a friendly lake.
A cool and comfortable porch.
A lawn of grassy green.
A shady nook.
A cottage at the shore.
Around a glowing campfire.

Invitations:

1. Paper "cutout" of a garden pasted on larger sheet. Time and place.
2. Double paper teacup made of wallpaper. Inside cup write the time, place, and topic.
3. Small paper world. "Federation of Methodist Women" printed on circumference of globe. Time, place, topic.
4. Small paper suitcases. "Trip with us around the world." Pier—(Place). Boat Departure—(Time).

Program Suggestions:

1. Hymns of Nature: "America the beautiful"; "Fairest Lord Jesus"; "Into the woods my Master went"; "Day is dying in the west"; "This is my Father's world."
2. Solo: "By the Waters of Babylon" (sacred number). (Beautiful if done by a woman in Hebrew costume.) (A cardboard or authentic lyre adds to the picture as she pretends to strum the instrument. Several Hebrew women and children in spread group around her make a lovely setting. Most effective if done near a lake or pool.)
3. Duet: "Watchman, tell us of the night," sung antiphonally by watchman and traveler (effective if done in costume on a hillside.)
4. Many lovely Indian songs lend themselves beautifully to costume and out-of-doors: "Indian Love Call"; "Land of the Sky Blue Waters"; "By the Waters of Minnetonka."
5. Galilee Meeting. (Those taking part, just off the shore in a small boat, or everyone in rowboats, each boat assigned a different part in the program.)
6. Friendship Summer Meeting. (Picnic summer. Japanese lanterns ready to light. Whole program built on theme of "Friendship." Climax all this by having small birthday candles tallowed to small pieces of bark. Form procession and go to edge of water two by two. Place candles and watch them as they float away. Sing "What a friend we have in Jesus," "Brightly beams our Father's mercy," "Follow the Gleam.)
7. Trip Around the World. (If you cannot use all of July "Heritage," here is a simple suggestion in which you may use a great deal of the material.)

How to Take a Trip Around the World:

1. Large outdoor space.
2. Group gathers in one place.
3. If group is large, give out various colored "passports" to divide into small tours.
4. Have signs made in advance and place around the grounds of individual countries to be "visited."
5. Those taking part dressed in costume, or some touch of the country they represent.
6. Have "guides" to add bits of information and "fun" as you travel.
7. Visit place suggested on pages 115, 116, 117 in *Investing Our Heritage.*
8. Parts done in dialogue or dramatic form will make it more realistic.
9. A jalope "rolling up" with several "migrants" and all their accessories will add color. They also might present sketch, "Just Suppose," obtained from Home Missions Council, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y.
10. "The Hogan Beneath the Sunrise" portrays the changes in Indian womanhood. Obtain from Presbyterian Book Store, Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
11. The "Summer Christmas Tree" is growing in popularity. This may be done with excellent effect under the stars. Any instrumental music—an evergreen tree with electric tree-lights, a pantomime of shepherds, Mary and the manger. A Christmas Scripture. Familiar Christmas carols and a brief appeal to "bring your offering or gift to the manger." This makes a stirring outdoors program. (Many groups use such a meeting to bring in their supply work or extras on the budget; gifts for mission boxes or jellies or donation for homes.)

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If it was not done, it is not too late to do so now

Outstanding Achievements in Conferences

Since the Charter Meetings

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IN FEBRUARY we sent *An Idea Referendum* to the conferences asking for replies to four questions. The first question was this:

> "What in the judgment of the Conference Executive Committee or the board has been the most outstanding achievement of the conference in organizational work since its charter meeting?"

We printed many of the answers to this *Referendum* in the May issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN, but we have heard from so many more conferences on this same question that we want to share their answers with our readers.

Central Pennsylvania Conference: "(1) The zeal which the women manifested in the organization of the new work. (2) Especially to be commended are the women in small churches which formerly had neither Home nor Foreign Missionary Societies. (3) Both district and conference organizational meetings far surpassed the hopes of the committees on arrangements. (4) The eagerness of the women to get information and to know the will of the division in order to co-operate."

Central Texas Conference: "Activity in students' work and fine response to organization of Wesleyan Service Guilds."

Erie Conference: "The women in both Home and Foreign Missionary Societies have been most responsive and eager to seek knowledge in this new organization."

Louisiana Conference (C. J.): "Stimulation of enthusiasm and interest for the new program and work has manifested itself more than ever before. Also a willingness to learn about the new work is most evident."

Michigan Conference: "(a) The most satisfying achievement of Michigan Conference has been the large number of county meetings held, averaging three to a district (5) well attended, indicating general interest and gratifying co-operation they have brought to light and helped solve many teasing local problems. Open forums—free questioning plan. (b) Percentage of new organization on districts due to persistent efforts of district officers."

New Mexico Conference: "The most outstanding achievement of the New Mexico Conference has been the growth in membership and the increase in pledge."

New York Conference: "It would seem the outstanding achievement—the surprising number of churches organized—before unification there was a strong feeling against the new plan."

North Indiana Conference: "The most outstanding achievement of the organizational work of the North Indiana Conference since the charter meeting, in the judgment of the Conference Executive, has been the large per cent of churches organized, of the 459 in our conference, 438 are functioning under the name of the Woman's Society of Christian Service."

St. Louis Conference: "The completion of all district organizations. While some of the officers are not prepared to go to work at once, still we do have the officers elected and ready. In some districts, fine zone organization also has been worked out, mostly by counties. This is helpful in an extensive country district. St. Louis District is 100 per cent organized."

Savannah Conference (C. J.): "The enrollment of a large membership and the organization of the five districts, the hearty co-operation of the district superintendents and pastors, are to our judgment, the most outstanding achievement of the conference in organizational work."

Southern California-Arizona Conference: "Representatives of the four uniting societies have been blended into a harmonious unit in the executive committee; organization has been effected in 90 per cent of the churches; membership equals 28 per cent of all church members; enthusiasm has been generated so that district and conference meetings are well attended."

Southern Illinois Conference: "Co-operation of district superintendents in urging organization; work of conference officers in organizing societies; follow-up of conference secretary through correspondence."

Tennessee Conference: "The most outstanding achievement is the splendid way our conference came out of the old form into the new with a gain of societies and members and the spirit of good will and co-operation so evident."

Northwest Iowa Conference: "Perhaps the organizational work has been the most outstanding achievement of the Northwest Iowa Conference. There are very few churches left to organize. The District Executive meeting in each district and the splendid spirit of the Woman's Society of Christian Service at the District Missionary Institutes."

Philadelphia Conference: "The fact that so many churches have organized the Woman's Society of Christian Service; that there is such enthusiasm about the new Society and that we have gone 'over the top' in our missionary giving for the first quarter. Also that the local churches will be in better condition because of the change.

"The bringing into interested service so large a number of women who were previously not engaged in anything other than purely local service.

"An enlarged Executive Board to include so many district officers, thus giving a better cross section of the conference. The 'Speaker's bureau' has been helpful in making available women and men who represent all phases of Christian service.

"The organizing of societies in churches where no missionary work has been done before."

West Wisconsin Conference: "New organizations in local churches, districts, and conference and the large membership enrolled. Planning of spring group meetings. Keeping of records and information by the secretaries. Interest and attendance of women at interdistrict meetings. Broader outlook of Methodism by our women."

Western North Carolina Conference: "The most outstanding achievement since our conference is the completion of district organization which was accomplished without delay in a most gratifying manner."

Missionary Education—Ways and Means

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THE Woman's Society of Christian Service has discovered some well-defined ways and means by which to undergird its entire enterprise with a cumulative educational process. Let us write these down very simply and directly:

First, there are the regular monthly meetings and program materials, one or two booklets—at present, *Investing Our Heritage* and the *Worship Booklet*. Beginning in September, to complete the year's program, *Proof Sheets of Power* (four programs) will be used. (See page 32.) These should be in the hands of the Program Committee, composed of the Vice-President, the Secretaries of Literature and Publications, of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, of Missionary Education and Service, the Chairman of Spiritual Life, and any others agreed upon by the Society. This committee is responsible for planning at least one program each month for the whole Woman's Society of Christian Service, and these program booklets are their source materials to be constructively adapted for wise and fruitful presentation at the regular monthly meetings. Some societies have only one meeting a month, so it is very important that this committee shall take its work seriously, being constantly on the alert for ways to present programs and for finding in WORLD OUTLOOK and THE METHODIST WOMAN supplementary articles and suggestions and for seeking other current literature bearing on the monthly topics. Reports of the use of the program materials, their adequacy, etc., are to be made each quarter by the Secretary of Literature and Publications on the report blanks provided for her use in the record and report book for all Secretaries of the Society. This book is to be ordered by the Corresponding Secretary of each Woman's Society of Christian Service and kept by her for use at the quarterly Executive Committee meetings of the Society, at which time report blanks are distributed to the reporting officers, filled out and mailed to the district officers or to conference officers as directed by the Conference Society. These regular monthly programs and the Secretary of Literature's reports are very important, for the Woman's Division considers this a chief means of acquainting all the membership with the total enterprise. It will take time, patience, and persistent work, tact, prayer, and loving fellowship, but many women possess these Christian graces and others of us are trying to acquire them.

A second way by which the membership will gradually but surely become more interested and effective participants in the entire enterprise is to have additional meetings each month for regular study courses, using the recommended books and supplementary materials planned for each line of activity in our Woman's Society. There are studies of a general nature to acquaint us with the World Mission of the Christian Religion; there are Bible studies, some very simply planned, but penetrating and stimulating our spiritual experiences and calculated to motivate all of life with spiritual objectives; there are studies in many areas of Christian Social Relations, including the Local Church and Community, the Christian Family, International Relations and World Peace, etc.; there are studies on the current Home and Foreign Mission themes. The Secretary of Missionary Education and Service with the committee in the local Society, composed of the Chairman of Spiritual Life and the Secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities is expected to work out the quarterly studies. Practically every Woman's Society of Christian Service can have at least one of these studies by planning, at the most convenient season, for a series of from four to eight extra meetings for the sessions of the class. A recent issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN and the *Handbook for Secretaries of Missionary Education and Service* (see page 32 for price), pages 7 and 8, suggest some plans for such classes. Others will be discovered. Some societies will want to plan for one study each quarter. The Secretary of Missionary Education and Service makes a report of this work each quarter on the blanks provided in the record and report book.

The *Handbook*, page 9, gives suggestions for a Special Plan of Study which many societies have used with great profit and which others may wish to follow. Such societies should request the *special* application blanks from the Conference Secretary of Missionary Education and Service who will advise them as to procedure.

Then there are also co-operatively planned studies through which Woman's Society groups participate in classes offered by the Board of Education in various schools for Christian Workers. A catalog containing these courses may be procured from the Training Division of the Board of Education, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tennessee.

A third way to make sure of a very fine and intelligent attitude toward the work of the Woman's Society is to become a diligent reader of the literature and periodicals and of books being circulated in reading circles and found in libraries. The Woman's Division has not yet had time to produce a large amount of new literature on the Woman's Work of our Church, due to the demand for organization materials, such as Constitution and By-laws, Duties of Officers, *Handbooks*, and the Annual Report, but WORLD OUTLOOK and THE METHODIST WOMAN and literature on hand, as well as a wealth of timely books, have been available. Many of us have had no opportunity to read all of these, nor to learn the half of what they contain of stimulating, worth-while information.

A fourth means of securing alert, efficient, and consecrated leaders for our Woman's Society in all of its avenues of service is for societies to avail themselves of the opportunities at summer schools, conferences, camps, and institutes. A list of these opportunities appeared in the last issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN. These schools and camps are widely distributed, so that a number of women from each conference may attend some one of them and receive the benefits of worship periods, forums, seminars, various study courses, addresses, and recreation periods. A wide variety of special features are planned for developing a greater interest and a more vital efficiency in the leadership of our Woman's Societies across the church. June, July, August, and September are opportune months for our membership.

If each Woman's Society of Christian Service will faithfully follow these plans of the Woman's Division, taking them a step at a time (but stepping as rapidly and as far as efficiency permits), there will be developed a consecrated, skilled, effective constituency engaged in productive Christian service.

And the results? They may not be listed one, two, three, and four, but they are guaranteed, absolutely and some are already "written down." More of that later.

Suggestions and helps are available free

Wesleyan Service Guild

By Marion Lela Norris, *Secretary*
150 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York

United in Prayer in a Broken World

O God and Father of us all,
Lift from our world its dark'ning pall;
Forgive our madness, sin, and strife,
Turn our goals from death to life.
Create in us a zeal for right,
Help us share our candle's light;
Impel our hearts to seek Thy Way,
Guide us to peace, O God, we pray.

2 Peter 3. 13.

—Standing Committee
World Federation of Methodist Women

Miss Mabel Ruth Nowlin, Methodist Mission, Chengtu, West China, one of the Guild missionaries

Book Lovers' Corner*

Edgar J. Goodspeed, *How Came the Bible?* Abingdon Press, 1940; $1.50. The former professor of the New Testament in the University of Chicago has told the story of the preservation, canonization, and translation of the Bible and the Apocrypha.

Winifred Galbraith, *In China Now.* Morrow, 1941; $2.50. An English missionary who is now working with the Chinese Red Cross, writes in a sympathetic manner of the courage with which the Chinese people are meeting tragic bombings. Miss Galbraith's short stories and episodes are told from the point of view of the Chinese themselves.

Mrs. Ada Clapham Govan, *Wings at My Window.* Macmillan, 1940; $2.50. Many are familiar with this narrative which was condensed in a recent issue of the *Reader's Digest.* The unabridged book will be a spring tonic to birdlovers, indeed to anyone who is depressed by pain and anxiety. Don't miss it.

Dirk van der Heide, pseud, *My Sister and I; the Diary of a Dutch Boy Refugee.* Harcourt, 1941; $1. A twelve-year-old Dutch boy who lived through the five-day "blitzkrieg" on Rotterdam, managed to get away to England with his sister, and later to come as a refugee to America. His diary is simple and honest and presents the fateful events of May to September in an unforgettable manner.

The Guild Serves in the Orient

Mildred Anne Paine is at Ai Kei Gakuen. Her friends in the Guild will be glad to know that because of the nature of her work it was not necessary for her to return when the other missionaries came home. She explained that most of the mission work in organization and type is related to the education ministry of the government, through evangelistic centers, and schools. Ai Kei Gakuen, however, has been from the first, ten years ago, a social work, and as such it is related instead to the welfare ministry of the government. It is for this reason that she could stay and carry on because work organized under the welfare ministry is as free now as in the past to receive subsidy from the mission.

Therefore it behooves us at home more than ever before to make our support of Miss Paine's Social Center at Ai Kei Gakuen generous and even sacrificial—our prayers as well as our gifts of money are needed today.

Several units have inquired about Ewha: Is the college open this year? Can Ewha receive and use our pledges under the new regime? The answer to these and all other similar questions is a strong affirmative. Even though Miss Lena Knapp and the other missionaries have come back, the school is continuing to minister to the educational and spiritual needs of youth and need all the spiritual, moral, and financial support that we in the homeland can give. Gifts and pledges should be sent through the regular channels of the Woman's Society with only one specification —for Ewha.

Units Register in Guild Office

There are a number of reasons why the Standing Committee decided to ask each unit to register in the national Guild office by sending in the list of officers and committee chairmen (the carbon copy of which goes to the Conference Guild Secretary for her file).

Each unit so registered received recently from the newly elected chairman of the Standing Committee of the Guild, Miss Louise Young, a letter of greeting enclosing one from Miss Mabel Ruth Nowlin with an enclosure for the chairman of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities from Mrs. Adella Langill.

New Guild Year

Units accustomed to having the Guild year end the last of May need to accommodate their budget to the new plans of the Woman's Division of Christian Service whereby the year ends next December 31 (1941). This means that if the unit made its pledge to end with June 1, 1941, a proportionate increase in all projects should be placed in the budget for the remaining months of this year, so that no missionary or mission station shall come out short this first year of united Methodism.

Vacation and Travel Club

The employed woman enjoys seeing things for herself, and in vacation finds many opportunities to do so. The adventure of travel is wonderful. It is like education and a strong feeling for social justice. One cannot be robbed

*Order these books from any of the Methodist Publishing Houses, not from our literature headquarters.

of travel experiences which she carries in beautiful mental pictures and in gratifying friendly feelings.

When a Guild member takes a trip to a new part of the country she will find her affiliation with the Guild an open sesame to new friendships and valuable contacts.

Much of the success of real unification depends upon face-to-face relationships. Through such contacts sympathy is enlarged, better understanding is developed, and prejudice is reduced, even erased.

In each jurisdiction and conference, and in many districts, there are interesting challenging forms of service being carried on by Methodism. Lists of these centers are available for Guild members planning their vacation tours.

Summer schools of missions and conferences, Guild retreats and seminars will welcome Guild members from various parts of the country. Particularly the Guild projects (see Guild *Handbook* for location) should be visited.

At the opening meeting in the fall, or at the October meeting which is often the Guild Guest Meeting to which prospective members are invited, reports of those who have joined the Guild Travel and Vacation Club will make not only interesting programs, but give missionary education to all the unit through the eyes of their fellow members.

The national Guild office will be happy to receive reports of Guild members whose summer schedules permit them to join the Guild Travel and Vacation Club.

Progressive Step

Negro and women lawyers can now use the library of the District of Columbia Bar Association in Washington. This progressive step, bringing us up one more notch from a rather incredible medievalism, is due less to the Association itself apparently than to Attorney General Robert E. Jackson. The Association even turned down a proposal to allow these "inferior" persons to use separate rooms, but Jackson found legal warrant for cutting through the whole shabby exclusiveness with an order. Into this writer's mind comes an uncomfortable question: how many of these die-hard attorneys have been going around denouncing appeasers who, they think, might want to compromise with Hitlerism? Where is Hitlerism? Is it a mode of thought and life strictly confined to Germany? If only it were!—*No Frontier News Letter.*

What Did You Serve?

Summer is just around the corner. When it arrives it will bring with it thoughts of porch parties, garden teas, and picnics. These call for novel ideas in the way of entertainment and refreshment. It is suggested the Wesleyan Service Guild members use their imaginations in concocting fruit and vegetable drinks. These, of course, are to contain no alcohol. The resulting recipes should be sent to the Guild office, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York. These will be gathered together into a collection, mimeographed, and offered for sale at a small sum.

Support of the Sheppard Bill (S. 860) is still necessary. Personal letters to congressmen are more to be desired than petitions.

Rural Units

Another conference is working on rural Guild units. The summer months will be a good time to work along this line in different localities, and it may be that some active Guild members on vacation may be able to stimulate their country cousins to wish to have a part in this program for all employed Methodist women.

Summer Guild Programs

Whether or not units carry on during the summer depends largely on the personnel of their membership and the nature of their community life. In some cases where teachers make up a large per cent of the members they scatter so widely that meetings are impractical. But often the summer months prove to be the heyday because of more leisure from the office or the factory, more daylight hours for social and recreational outings, and greater inspiration in the great outdoors for worship and fellowship.

Christmas parties, sometimes with the green of the growing fir tree as background, are a feature of some units which plan their boxes of supplies or Christmas gifts for homes and schools during the vacation days. Others have canning parties for the same reason.

Assisting in the local church or community Daily Vacation Bible School is another part of some members' vacations. There is here opportunity for educational, art, dramatic, music, recreational, worship, handicraft, and other talents.

Oftentimes the unit gives a day's outing or entertains at an evening party some underprivileged group.

Guild Publicity

Does your unit have in its membership someone who is connected with the local paper? Or someone with a "nose for news"? There have come to the Guild office recently some excellent stories of what this-or-that local unit has been doing—elections, programs, special features, book review teas, exhibits, and whatnot.

Used Christmas Cards

We have been advised by Secretaries of Foreign Department that it is unwise to attempt to send Christmas cards to the foreign field. We are checking with the Secretaries in the Home Department for suggestions of their use in the homeland. Watch for their announcement.

Financial Success

"Our year, financially speaking, has been a tremendous success. We decided to continue with dues of $2.50, but to take care of the thank offering, Christmas offering, gift boxes, flower-and-card fund, and so on, each member was asked to pledge any amount she chose for the year. The pledge was to be paid quarterly, annually, or monthly as the member wished. No collection was taken during the entire year. It has been a burden to the members in past years to have an offering or collection taken at each meeting, sometimes two. We apportioned the money according to what we have given previously for each fund. Much to our amazement the pledges were sufficient to meet the needs and the money has come in each month regularly. From time to time we issue a statement as to our status, but not a word has been said about money in meetings."

Unit Bulletin

"In order to save time in meeting so that we can break up at ten o'clock (including a social period) we issue a mimeographed bulletin once a month. All announcements are made in it for the month and any reports of cabinet members plus a little philosophy from the Editor. We have found that these written reports are more helpful than oral ones. At the end of the year each member will have a complete record of our year's work and social events."

Helps for Student Secretaries

By Mrs. Lucile L. LeSourd

When the New England Conference Student Secretary was called on for a two-minute report she was interrupted by the entrance of a Western Union telegraph boy calling her name. It was a rather anxious moment for the audience while she read the telegram, but the point was well taken when she shared the contents of the telegram with them:

Telegram: Does any local society have any responsibility for the girls from this church who are now attending college, or is it cared for on college campus? Appointment of committee chairman and budget now being made up. Wire instructions.

(Signed) President, Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Reply: By all means appoint local chairman of Student Activities with reasonable budget allowance. She to keep in personal contact with students while in college by letters, clippings, surprise package of food or gift, subscription to *Motive,* new student magazine. Ask them to speak about campus life when they return, and tie them up to some committee. For further suggestions concerning Welcome Home Parties, Kitchen Parties, and Special Student Conferences, write your District Secretary of Student Work.

Yours for immediate service to this group on whom we are dependent for our future Woman's Society of Christian Service membership.

(Signed) Lucile L. LeSourd,
Conference Secretary.

Did you ever attend a Kitchen Party? The students love them. At Boston University they each pay twenty-five cents for the supper. A committee works out a menu, and after the supper they all gather around the piano for singing and then a specialist of their own choosing comes in to talk to them about various phases of church leadership and effective programs. It is a co-educational affair, and since the first one the attendance has almost tripled.

Graduate School Kitchen Parties.—That graduate students have appetites and an inclination for society as well as intellect and zest for knowledge was attested by the two lively Sunday night kitchen parties which they have held this year in the Woman's Building. Last December fifty students filled the social room and kitchen and overflowed into the front hall. Professor and Mrs. Houghton concocted an epicurean oyster stew. Mrs. LeSourd made "rink-tum-ditty," and Dean LeSourd led the students in the genial confusion of helping and hindering the chefs. Following the supper there was an informal concert in the salon by Wilma Thompson, Barbara Brett, and the Boston University Double Male Quartet, ending in a community sing. On March 9, Alan Hunting, of the Graduate Student Council, and his bride were host and hostess to graduate students at a waffle supper. Afterwards Miss Pei Chang Liu sang Chinese songs for the group. So popular and successful have these parties been that there will be at least one more before the end of the year.

A most successful project in the field of worship was sponsored by the New England Conference Student Department and School of Theology wives in the bringing of Charles Reynolds Brown, of Yale, to Boston for a series of lectures in which he read and interpreted Scripture. These were planned for the School of Theology Chapel, but so great a demand was there for tickets that it had to be moved to a church that would seat six hundred. Students were admitted free, but others paid $1 for the two lectures, which financed the project.

Winter sports proved another popular project for Methodist students in New England when they went for a week-end to the Northfield Inn and enjoyed skiing, tobogganing, skating, an old-fashioned New England sleigh ride, and an outdoor steak broil with a sugaring-off. The discussion around the fireside in the evening on vital issues of the day and the application of Christianity to these proved to be most helpful, and was especially appropriate in the atmosphere of the place founded by Dwight L. Moody.

Students in National Defense Services

FOR some time The Methodist Church has been aware of the fact that there is in the Woman's Society of Christian Service a "student census." By means of this census names are channeled from the Student Secretary in the local home church through to the church nearest the school attended. At first, only girls' names were handled. This year, because of widespread demand, boys' names were included.

Now the question comes up, What about students going into the defense services and areas? "May we send their names, too? What shall be our policy?" After careful consideration, it was decided to allow local Student Secretaries to send names of young people of college age, uprooted from their schools and their homes, to the Division Office to be relayed through the same channels but to the churches nearest the defense areas. By using white 3x5 file cards, allowing one location to a card, and putting on the same information in the same manner as on the "student cards," this can be handled. The Division Office will make every effort to redirect these cards to the proper destination. Marking the name of the conference in which the defense program is located will make for speed. Information should go directly between the Student Secretaries whenever possible. A member of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America said, "It may be a lot of hard work, but maybe it is necessary for us to do a lot of hard work at this time."

Someone questions, "Are we, as Student Secretaries, obligated to these girls working in defense industries and boys in training camps?" On first thought, some might say "no," but as Christian women with an organizational setup ready to meet a recognized need, certainly all should do their part. As Student Secretaries who, through experience, have learned how to handle the census, we know their services as outlined in "Duties and Plans for Student Secretaries" keep them in close personal touch with students whether going to camp or to college, they cannot say "no."

Every Conference Secretary is urged to distribute the leaflet, "A Church Program for Defense Areas," by Leland Foster Wood, obtainable from the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York, New York, or from Mrs. Lenore E. Porter, Secretary of Student Work, Woman's Section, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York.

Can be put on any time before summer vacation

From Far and Near

MISS ANNIE FORREST

Miss Annie Forrest, retired missionary of former Board of Missions of the Methodist Protestant Church, died March 21 and was buried from her home in Littlestown, Pennsylvania. Miss Forrest was one of the earliest missionaries to be sent to Japan. Later she served in the home field as a missionary organizer. Her enthusiasm and zeal for the missionary program caused many churches to organize their women for this task.

SCARRITT COLLEGE, NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE.—Scarritt College is enjoying the presence of a large number of missionaries on furlough, studying at the Short-Term School for Rural Missionaries, which is being held on the campus, under the direction of Miss Mabel K. Howell. This is one of the four Schools for Rural Missionaries, sponsored by the Rural Missions Co-operating Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference, and Dr. John H. Reisner, the Executive Secretary of the Agricultural Missions Foundation, is participating as one of the faculty.

The practical nature of this School for Rural Missionaries has answered a real need long felt by our workers in foreign fields. The contribution of personal experience coming from twelve mission fields (Algeria, South Africa, Belgian Congo, Bolivia, Burma, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaya, Mexico, and Syria), and eight different denominations provides a splendid variety. The practical application of various methods affords the best kind of an educational situation.

BRAZIL.—"The Young People's Conference was held in Piracicaba in January. It was the first church-wide meeting of Methodist youth to be held. There were about two hundred delegates, including the adult advisors. The theme for the meeting was 'Follow Me.' I was most impressed with the earnestness of these young people as they discussed their philosophy of a Christian life and its application in the home, in their vocations, and in the church."

MATHISTON, MISSISSIPPI.—Wood Junior College greatly enjoyed a concert by the Rust College Sextet who were royally received at the college. The free-will offering was large, and a splendid spirit prevailed. The director, Miss Doxey, expressed great appreciation for the splendid entertainment of the sextet, and said that when she went on her annual tour with her Glee Club she would surely wish to include Wood on her list of places to sing.

CONGO BELGE.—Miss Lorena Kelly writes that "one of my favorite music students has written that he was beginning to teach four children in the village the 'Halleluja Chorus!' We hitch our wagons to the stars in the Congo. He really is an excellent music student."

PINE RIDGE, KENTUCKY.—The Pine Ridge *Booster* carries the news that Alvan Drew students are very busy preparing for the annual festival of music which is a combined project of four mountain schools—Hazel Green, under the Christian Church; Frenchburg and Ezel, under the United Presbyterian, and Alvan Drew, under the Methodist.

ATLANTA, GEORGIA.—Honor students who were announced this spring at Clark College, Atlanta, Georgia, included the names of a dozen young women living at Thayer Hall, the dormitory operated by the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

Among them is the name of Miss Wilhelmina Gilbert, a former student and junior-high-school teacher, at Boylan-Haven School, Jacksonville, Florida, also under the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

SHANGHAI, CHINA.—Miss Alice Aslup, McTyeire School, writes that "work is going on splendidly. There are 564 children in Primary I and 527 in Primary II, and the days are not long enough to get our work in. The first days of the term are always crowded ones."

CINCINNATI, OHIO.—Last year donations for Friendship Home and Mothers' Memorial Center reached $1,242.50. And great progress is being made this year. So far they report $800 in donations, and supplies are continually coming in. Dr. Alfred Korach, from the Department of Preventive Medicine at the University of Cincinnati, will again bring his class down to Friendship Home. His class comes in groups of about fifteen, meeting in the front parlor with someone from the Better Housing League, one social worker, and one city nurse. After the morning's conference they go out to visit certain parts of the slum district, and then come back for a 20-cent luncheon at the Home. After lunch they visit the Nursery.

GOMOH, INDIA.—Miss M. Gayle Dawson, before coming home on furlough, wrote from Gomoh, which is seventy miles from the nearest mission station. The Mission Ford, loaned to her while Miss Rachel Carr, of Asansol, was on furlough, made it possible for her to do much district work. When they first visited the villages, she says, "My reception varied from an expression of open fear at the sight of our white faces to that of generous hospitality, where a non-Christian mother said, 'If she will come and live in our village we will give her to eat of such food as we have.'"

Ways of approach in villages have varied. Sometimes the buying of vegetables from women and girls bearing produce on their heads to market has led to an invitation to visit their village. Miss Dawson writes:

"The husband of one of these women had heard some Christian teaching years ago. He is the most ardent listener to gospel truth that I have ever seen. On our second visit to the village he promptly came to the large tree under which we were conducting a meeting and thoroughly enjoyed it. At its close he bought two songbooks in order that his grown sons might learn some of the songs. This man is by far the most outstanding man in the village. He has now acknowledged Christ.

"A woman in one village has recently opened her heart and home to us because she observed that the only Christian family in a neighboring village did not suffer from hopeless grief when their grandfather passed on. Rather,

they sang, and expressed a future hope for his soul. We now hold services in her yard, which faces the lane (thoroughfare) of the village.

"Acts of kindness are frequently shown to us along the way, such as the offering of milk or the sending of vegetables for our use during the rains. One evening at sunset, as we entered a village and were given the usual rope bed on which to sit, a man asked for my umbrella which, as he had noticed, was in need of repair. After a time he returned with a happy face and the umbrella in 'shipshape.' Another time on a hot morning we were standing close against a house to keep within the shade. Both my hands were engaged in holding up a large picture illustrating the message. A large thistle made my ankle quite uncomfortable—and then the hurting ceased. A woman had taken the thistle into her own hand and was holding it away from me as she listened."

Near Centenarian Joins Woman's Society

Davis, South Dakota.—Mrs. F. E. DeVries, who was 94 years old on September 5, was the first to sign the charter roll of the Woman's Society of Christian Service at the Davis Methodist Church. In deference to her advanced age, Rev. A. E. Hocking called at her home offering to let her sign there. With customary vim she refused. "I am coming to the meeting," she said. She did and this picture was taken in the church. Mrs. DeVries (right) and Mrs. Lilly Butterfield (center) were members of the Ladies' Aid during its forty-eight years of service. Mrs. Henry Bingner (left) was secretary at the charter meeting in September.

Athens, Tennessee.—"Vocations Day" was observed on the campus of Tennessee Wesleyan Junior College, Athens, Tennessee, on March 27, under the leadership of President James L. Robb. Mrs. Elizabeth Brubaker, dean of women and superintendent of Ritter Hall, the dormitory for girls under the Woman's Division of Christian Service, wrote that they considered it one of the most wonderful occasions ever held there. The chapel, which holds over 1,000, was crowded. Nearly 600 of the visitors were high-school seniors from 21 high schools, who came to take advantage of opportunities to hear men and women representing various professions.

Following a general presentation in the assembly room, there were three periods with dozens of speakers holding forth in various classrooms of the college. Some of the more popular subjects were air-hostessing, nursing, teaching, agriculture, athletic coaching, and aviation.

The college was host at a picnic lunch for everyone at noon and a play period in the gymnasium.

Wood Junior College, Mathiston, Mississippi.—Congratulations are extended to Miss Helen Harriet Welch, teacher of English and chemistry, and Mr. Edward W. Seay, president, who were united in marriage on April 12.

Puebla, Mexico.—Even though missionaries are no longer allowed to conduct schools in Mexico, they can and do take charge of hostels in which they have the opportunity to teach practical Christianity. One part of the big school building in Puebla is rented to a school under the care of a national with many years of experience in a mission school, and in the other part Miss May B. Seal makes a home for the girls who attend the schools. She says that when the Mexican General Conference met in their city they entertained sixty-eight visitors. One week was vacation and the girls helped in every way, just as if the visitors were their own guests. Miss Seal says:

"Last year I received into the home two girls from the country, some distance from Puebla, typical Mexican peasants. On their arrival one of the teachers took them to town and bought for them complete simple wardrobes. Their father was quite willing to pay for everything, saying that we knew more about dressing them than he did. Now they are just like the other girls and have learned to take care of their rooms, help in the dining room, and do many other things around the home. The older girl is taking music lessons and English and her teachers never have any complaint about her work. She is a transformed child.

"In work such as this we are trying to help Mexico in forming the future homes of the country."

South Central Jurisdiction.—The first executive meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the South Central Jurisdiction was held March 26 and 27 in Oklahoma City. In introducing plans for the work of the Jurisdiction, Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., president, said this Jurisdiction "had the best chance to blaze trails of any of the Jurisdiction organizations for we are less set."

The one time when reports and policies of carrying on the work did not occupy our minds was at an informal "Know Your Jurisdiction Dinner," where Bishop and Mrs. Selecman and Mrs. Potter, of Oklahoma City, were guests. Small maps of the Jurisdiction served as place cards. Each of the eight states that comprise our territory was represented by some loyal daughter who told of the accomplishments of The Methodist Church in her particular state. Oklahoma thrilled to the tales of heroism in Nebraska during recent years of drought; Arkansas was impressed with the strength of Methodism in Kansas, both in membership and in institutions; New Mexico and Louisiana felt they had a common bond in the number of their people who had a different racial background; Texas and Missouri, with their larger populations and densely populated cities had problems to present to all of us. Mrs. Frank L. Davis, Secretary of Home Work, told of the need of a school building at Epworth School in East St. Louis as she presented each guest with a holder which the girls are making to swell their school building fund. Dr. Mary Shannon, Secretary of Foreign Work, had stirring tales of missionaries in the evacuated fields.—Mrs. C. M. Gray.

Bennett College, Greensboro, North Carolina.—Embodying the aim of Bennett College to serve community needs, the Alumnae College and the Parent-Child Institute to be held June 3-6 and June 9-27, respectively, are planned like other Bennett College agencies, to serve in the area of more wholesome family living. Dr. Alberta B. Turner, professor of psychology, is chairman of the co-ordinating

committee of the two activities, other members being representative of the administration, faculty, and Graduate Association.

Using as its theme, "Woman's Rôle in a World of Social Change," the Alumnae College will seek to acquaint graduates of the college with new materials and techniques in their various fields; to stimulate further professional study; to acquaint graduates with new developments in the program of Bennett College, as well as important issues in contemporary affairs.

An outstanding feature of the college will be the presentation of economic problems of teachers by one of the graduates, based on data received from teachers in various localities, rural and urban. Mr. C. C. Spaulding, president of the N. C. Mutual Life Insurance Company, Durham, will lead the discussion. New professional methods and techniques will be handled by the "clinic" method. Outstanding in this area will be the Music Workshop, under the direction of Dr. R. Nathaniel Dett, head of the department of music of Bennett College, which will carry over into the Parent-Child Institute. Miss Marie McIver, supervisor of Negro Schools in North Carolina, Raleigh will lead a discussion on "Problems of the Rural School Teacher."

Seminars will be held during the day and persons in the community other than Bennett graduates are invited to be present. An evening lecture will be given by an eminent authority, of special interest to parents and homemakers.

The Third Summer Institute of Parent Education and Child Development, under the guidance of Dr. Alberta B. Turner, will continue its service to parents, teachers, graduates, and all those persons who in any way touch the lives of children. W. P. A. teachers have been invited to participate. Credit will be given by the State Department of Public Instruction for work completed in the summer institute. Courses will be offered in rural education, nutrition, child development, house planning and furnishing, consumer education, and music. The Bennett College Nursery School will serve as a laboratory for courses dealing with the preschool child. Parents who are attendants at the Summer Institute are urged to enroll their children in the Nursery School, where the children will be receiving scientific guidance while they themselves are participating in adult activities. Dormitory accommodations will be provided for the youngsters.

SHANGHAI, CHINA.—Miss Mary Blackford tells of the missionary contribution of the China Woman's Missionary Society toward the work in Africa. "I have received," she writes, "from Mrs. Tsao the annual contribution toward the work in Africa. This year the Sh. $300 equals only $16.88 in U. S. currency, but their gift is just as much as ever, and their spirit of sacrifice even greater since the demands for money are so much greater these days."

EPWORTH HEIGHTS, LUDINGTON, MICHIGAN.—The Board of Olney Rest Cottage invite you to spend your vacation days at Epworth Heights on Lake Michigan, two miles north of Ludington. Deaconesses, missionaries, and church secretaries, room and board, $5 a week. Conference and district officers, $10 per week. For information and reservations, address Mrs. S. C. Pierce, 909 South Main Street, Paris, Illinois.

Vacation Homes

The Bureau of Social Work of the Home Department is happy to announce that plans are being made to reopen the Vacation Homes during the summer of 1941. If you are interested in making application for admittance, please write for information to the following hostesses:

Fenton Memorial Rest Home, Mrs. E. Lonsdale, 24 Kosciuszko Street, Buffalo, New York.

Chautauqua Mission Home, Mrs. George S. Searle, 56 Long Avenue, Hamburg, New York.

Thompson Rest Home, Miss Octavia Hicks, Thompson Rest Home, Mountain Lake Park, Maryland.

—MISS MIRIAM V. RISTINE,
Executive Secretary, Bureau of Social Work.

News Items

This is a time of coming and going among our India missionaries. On March 31 eight of them arrived on the *President Taylor*—the two *Miss Morgans* from Hyderabad Conference; *Miss Mabel Sheldon* from Buxar District; *Miss Faith Clark* and *Miss Gertrude Richards* from Northwest India, and the *Misses Lucy Beach, Grace Honnell,* and *Charlotte Westrup* from North India. With the missionaries of the Division of Foreign Missions who were on the same boat, they were entertained at a fellowship dinner attended by the secretaries responsible for India and various other officers of the board with all missionaries within reach of New York who are on furlough from India. A good time!

Both *Miss Mabel* and *Miss Margaret Morgan* speak with deepeset satisfaction of the fine work of the nationals in charge of institutions in Hyderabad Conference. It is not so hard to retire, they say, if you can leave competent Indian women on your job.

Miss Mabel Sheldon has a thrilling story of the steadfastness of her Indian people in the face of persistent persecution. Miss Sheldon's work is being taken over by Miss Mary Richmond, who just returned to India. Miss Richmond arrived in time for the Christmas Mela when four hundred people sat down to a Christmas dinner.

The North India people bring enthusiastic reports of the *Perrills, Dr. Charles* and *Dr. Wilma,* who are just settling into their work in the Clara Swain Hospital in Bareilly.

Expected soon from India are the *Misses Marguerite Bugby, Cora Fales, Urdell Montgomery, Marian Warner, Margaret Wallace, Dora Nelson, Mary L. Hannah, Mildred Mickimen, Mrs. Alma H. Holland, Anna Buyers* and *Lydia Christensen.*

Miss Grace Pepper Smith sailed in January and *Miss Emma Rexroth* left in early April. Miss Rexroth will take over the work left by Miss Fales.

Miss June Redinger arrived from Sumatra, March 6, after a trip of fifty-eight days on a Dutch boat on which she was the only passenger.

The large party that sailed for India last fall report a most profitable voyage, with stops in Japan, the Philippines, Hong Kong, and Malaya. They were particularly glad of the opportunity to see what is being done by our missionaries in these countries.

Interesting reports are constantly coming of the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service as organized in Asia. At Central Conference held in Delhi in January, the Society was organized on a national basis with Mrs. Chitambar as National President. The hope is to press forward until the organization for women becomes a force in every local church. *Miss Edna Bacon* writes of the in-

terest of local societies of the W.S.C.S. in knitting and sewing for the Warne Baby Fold, where *Geraldine Johnson,* of Singapore, has been made secretary of the W.S.C.S. for Malaya, and writes of the growing strength of the societies in the churches.

Miss Ruth Robinson is the editor of a new paper—*Naya Dihati* (The New Villager), a monthly publication for new readers—a combination of the paper she has been editing for several years with a similar one brought out by the Presbyterians. Subscription price, 6 annas (12c) per year.

Dr. Esther Shoemaker writes about the continuing of responsibility carried by the Indian doctors of the Kolar Hospital during her furlough. Dr. Maria Selvaneyagam is Medical Superintendent and Dr. Walker, also an Indian, is Assistant Medical Superintendent, with Dr. Shoemaker Superintendent of the hospital. Miss Saunby is rejoicing in the arrival of *Miss Ruby Hobson,* who went to the field with Dr. Shoemaker.

Miss Josephine Kriz has been appointed to Stanley Girls' High School, associated with *Miss Edith D'Lima,* the Indian Principal. Plans are practically complete for a new building at Stanley to contain assembly room, classrooms, library, etc., the gift of *Miss Alice Evans,* who was for years principal of the school.

Miss Maxine Coleman has been appointed in evangelistic work in Tandur District. She will live with *Miss Mildred Simonds,* a veteran of touring in Hyderabad Conference.

Miss Lahuna Clinton is the principal of the Union Boys' High School (Methodist and Disciples) in Jubbulpore. *Miss Ethel Ruggles* is also supervising a boys' school—the Middle School—in Khandwa. Upon her return from furlough, *Miss Faithe Richardson,* formerly in the Girls' High School in Jubbulpore, was appointed to Jagdalpur.

Miss Ruth Partridge, an Anglo-Indian of Hyderabad Conference, who has visited in this country a number of times, has just retired. Her latest project was the Hyderabad Conference Vacation School, a small boarding school for boys and girls aimed to teach the arts of village life. Miss Partridge's place in the school is taken by *Miss Anna Harrod,* who is happy to reach the villages from this new angle.

Miss Mechteld Dirksen, who had been loaned to the Philippines for a period of service in the Mary J. Johnston Hospital, Manila, has returned to her place in Malaya.

Miss Jeanette Oldfather, of Korea, has been transferred to Burma. She is stationed at Twante, to be in charge of the large Day School and to assist *Miss Grace Stockwell* in the villages.

Another transfer from Korea is that of the *Sherwood Halls,* both doctors, who have arrived at Madar (Ajmer), India, and have begun the study of Hindustani. Dr. Sherwood Hall will be Superintendent of the Union Tuberculosis Sanatorium at Madar. Reports from this institution indicate a successful year under the management of *Dr. Rita B. Tower.*

Isabella Thoburn College, under the principalship of *Mrs. Chandrama Premnath Dass,* has an enrollment of 272, the largest of its history. More than half of the students are Christian. The beautiful new chapel is the center of the religious life of the college. Three of the staff have been on furlough this year and are sailing early in May—the *Misses Ava Hunt, Roxanna Oldroyd,* and *Laura V. Williams.*

Before she leaves Crandon Institute, Montevideo, Uruguay, on furlough in June, *Miss Lena May Hoerner* will help to launch a new postgraduate course in which the major emphasis will be on home economics. Other subjects offered in this course are world literature, international relations, and sociology.

Miss Lena Knapp, who had to leave Korea after only eight months on the field, sailed on March 29 for Buenos Aires, Argentina, where she will teach in our Training School for Christian Workers and in the Union Theological Seminary.

On the same boat with Miss Knapp went a new missionary, *Miss Angelina Craft,* of North Dakota Conference. Because of her experience as a kindergarten and primary teacher, she will be a valuable addition to the faculty of Crandon Institute, Montevideo, Uruguay.

Miss Leila Epps spent a month at Biblical Seminary in New York City. She plans to return to Brazil next summer.

Miss Mellony Turner and *Miss Esther Carhart* wrote from the American Girls' School, Lovetch, Bulgaria, on February 26: "All except four of our parents expressed the desire to have their children stay here during troubled times. We feel we have a responsibility toward them as we can act as a place of refuge for these girls who are from large cities and dangerous centers."

Miss Marion Derby, on furlough from Crandon Institute, Montevideo, spent the month of April on a trip to Mexico, in company of the Misses Margaret and Katherine Paton, Uruguayan teachers in that school. Miss Derby will attend three Summer Schools of Missions and will teach a course on Latin America at the School for New Missionaries, an interdenominational project which will be held at Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Illinois, in July and August.

From Instituto Metodista, Ribeirao Preto, Brazil, *Miss Mary McSwain* tells us they are offering a new course in religious education and Bible for girls, giving them an opportunity to do volunteer work in the social work department for their practical training. She says: "So much interest is being shown right now in training lay workers in Brazil that it is a field ripe for development. Especially in the interior there are many girls who feel they lack the training for the service they desire to render to the church."

Miss Ruth Byerly writes from Villa Frontera, Mexico: "We celebrated the World's Day of Prayer, beginning with a sunrise prayer meeting and ending with a children's meeting in the early evening, followed by a special program for adults. Translation of parts of 'The Eternal Stars Shine Out' was a splendid feature. The chorus, 'Jesus Loves Me,' was sung in five languages, and children dressed in the costumes of twelve nationalities gave 'Around the Clock' the first Friday in Lent."

Ask Yourself

1. Identify Katherine Mitchell, Grace Wu, Dr. Alice Hwang, Frances Baker, Mildred Anne Paine.
2. "Student body composed largely of the daughters of professional men."
3. The struggle is not with Jewish missions; it is with the very heart of the gospel. Explain.
4. The same sigh at the word "debt," the same relief "paid in full."
5. The school should serve interests outside of its school-age population alone.
6. A 100 per cent organized district.
7. How to "develop a consecrated, skilled, effective constituency engaged in productive Christian service."
8. Is Ewha College open?
9. Sixteen-months' programs for $1.
10. "A sanctuary becomes a garrison"—finish.

CONFERENCE INCOME BY DEPARTMENTS

Jurisdiction	Adult	W. S. G.	Students	Young Women and Girls	Children	Babies	Totals
North Central:							
Central Northwest	$762 88			$101 09	$49 59		$913
Dakota	2,198 71	$18 00			3 75		2,220
Detroit	26,685 72	227 26		472 50	183 17		27,568
Illinois	19,241 94	235 60		407 07	288 24		20,172
Indiana	11,442 62	195 97		230 02	194 10		12,062
Iowa-Des Moines	10,487 37	160 31		137 25	72 48		10,857
Michigan	13,875 26	573 90	$6 75	71 14	152 71		14,679
Minnesota	6,900 51	283 70		40 00	51 45		7,275
North Dakota	1,896 50						1,896
North Indiana	10,385 89	211 04		344 73	313 86		11,255
North-East Ohio	28,768 83	635 10		250 91	232 96		29,887
North Minnesota	5,589 19	370 87		390 90	123 82		6,474
Northwest Indiana	5,931 26	229 53		80 59	103 38		6,344
Northwest Iowa	6,294 86	64 50		71 50	20 95		6,451
Norwegian-Danish	295 15						295
Ohio	39,850 00	539 79		178 31	156 14		40,724
Rock River	20,561 00	1,394 12		1,096 89	356 29		23,408
Southern Illinois	5,246 71	405 92		186 33	114 47		5,953
Upper Iowa	8,095 53	133 10		145 44	109 79		8,483
Western Wisconsin	1,393 96			13 50	6 25		1,413
Wisconsin	5,400 34	85 60	3 00	21 85	8 19		5,518
Northeastern:							
Baltimore	19,367 87	159 05	1 46	51 55	55 26		19,635
Central New York	8,841 82	19 00		111 20	21 83		8,993
Central Pennsylvania	11,747 28	269 00		83 33	13 51		12,113
East German	636 75			183 50	3 00		823
East Swedish	1,198 50			24 00			1,222
Erie	12,897 41	133 00		114 00	112 35		13,256
Genessee	8,524 94	90 94		5 00			8,620
Maine	1,468 12			22 18	8 76		1,499
New England	5,450 61			29 92	3 00		5,483
New England Southern	2,873 29				10 95		2,884
New Hampshire	1,299 16			6 00			1,305
New Jersey	6,369 58	92 67		36 87	12 00		6,511
New York	5,580 71	133 00		134 13	69 96		5,917
New York East	10,151 62	174 98		63 85	95 12		10,485
Newark	10,365 68	200 00		102 42	68 58		10,736
Northern New York	5,431 35	60 00		253 50	31 75		5,776
Peninsula	5,802 07				12 96		5,815
Philadelphia	15,954 72	333 82		1,160 11	155 41		17,604
Pittsburgh	17,098 14	319 50		199 86	382 50		18,000
Troy	11,407 89	230 00		145 00	26 05		11,808
Vermont							
West Virginia	13,702 94	462 06	15 68	264 95	67 60	$25 00	14,538
Wyoming	7,697 00			83 44	22 00		7,802
South Central:							
Central Kansas	11,927 92	517 64		236 03	239 26		12,920
Central Texas	6,028 83				20 00	86 17	6,135
Eastern Oklahoma	5,785 73	152 18				5 00	5,942
Indian Mission	60 53						60
Kansas	10,574 32	247 59		87 64	102 64		11,012
Little Rock	4,688 21	272 30		15 65	13 84	10 00	5,000
Louisiana	7,282 99	335 16		26 75	26 86	40 00	7,711
Missouri	3,328 47	39 41		27 47	5 30		3,400
Nebraska	9,528 96	62 65		62 33	43 56		9,697
New Mexico	948 38	65 25		7 50	25	10 00	1,031
Northern Arkansas	5,439 61	184 23		34 70	43 88		5,702
Northern Texas	6,171 91	91 09			7 00	30 00	6,300
Northwestern Texas	5,341 47	80 25		8 00	35 29	20 00	5,485
St. Louis	7,394 17	259 33		69 48	8 75		7,731
Southwestern Texas	60 31						60
Southwest Missouri	4,836 23	304 82		43 90	51 29		5,236
Southwest Texas	6,554 78	165 48		53 82			6,874
Texas	7,747 97	222 53		9 50	71 03		8,051
West Oklahoma	6,061 03	454 58		66 33	159 68	30 00	6,771
Southeastern							
Alabama	5,803 53	287 92		15 00	10 00	15 00	6,131
Florida	14,646 91	324 31		8 05	20 73		15,000

DIVISION OF CONFERENCE INCOME

Budget	Conference Work	Week of Prayer	Memorials	Home Mission Specials	Home Scholarship (Southern)	Total Conference Credit	Supplies	Cultivation ¼ of 1c	Misc.	Grand Total
$913 56						$913 56				$913 56
2,220 46						2,220 46			$1 30	2,221 76
25,433 67	$2,130 98	$4 00				27,568 65	$119 61			27,688 26
13,953 33	6,188 69	30 83				20,172 85	25 00			20,197 85
10,911 35	1,133 59	17 77				12,062 71	8 25		12 00	12,082 96
9,979 91	877 50					10,857 41	5 00	$237 14	5 00	11,104 55
13,801 26	878 50					14,679 76	122 09	25 00		14,826 85
6,719 66	556 00					7,275 66	84 60			7,360 26
1,896 50						1,896 50	3 50			1,900 00
10,447 52	808 00					11,255 52	242 61			11,498 13
24,698 30	5,189 50					29,887 80	146 44	300 00	434 19	30 768 43
6,469 53			$4 75			6,474 78	25 22			6,500 00
6,209 07	131 25	4 44				6,344 76	31 25	40 65		6,416 66
6,157 84	293 97					6,451 81	2 00		8 00	6,461 81
295 15						295 15				295 15
32,924 24	7,800 00					40,724 24	47 76		22 00	40,794 00
22,122 51	1,285 79					23,408 30	110 50			23,518 80
5,953 43						5,953 43	66 65			6,020 08
8,383 86	100 00					8,483 86	7 65			8,491 51
1,079 71	334 00					1,413 71	11 00	57 46		1,482 17
5,518 98						5,518 98	207 25			5,726 23
15,519 63	4,108 56	7 00				19,635 19	139 13			19,774 32
8,593 85	300 00		100 00			8,993 85	7 25			9,001 10
8,907 12	3,202 00	4 00				12,113 12	17 00			12,130 12
823 25						823 25			171 38	994 63
1,222 50						1,222 50				1,222 50
10,204 58	3,047 18	5 00				13,256 76	25 00		25 00	13,306 76
7,650 37	970 51					8,620 88	6 00			8,626 88
1,445 06	54 00					1,499 06			15 00	1,514 06
4,831 04	652 49					5,483 53			109 00	5,592 53
2,340 83	543 41					2,884 24				2,884 24
1,305 16						1,305 16				1,305 16
5,761 12	750 00					6,511 12	6 12			6,517 24
5,917 80						5,917 80	20 00		20 00	5,957 80
9,631 57	804 00		50 00			10,485 57	52 35			10,537 92
10,731 68	5 00					10,736 68	96 78			10,833 46
5,776 60						5,776 60	5 00			5,781 60
5,072 88	742,15					5,815 03				5,815 03
14,352 59	3,251 47					17,604 06				17,604 06
14,450 00	3,500 00		50 00			18,000 00	253 00			18,253 00
11,808 94						11,808 94				11,808 94
7,805 32		83 93		$6,648 98		14,538 23	25 00		4 89	14,568 12
5,972 44	1,830 00					7,802 44	152 00			7,954 44
12,294 00	576 85		50 00			12,920 85	64 15			12,985 00
5,175 00				300 00	$660 00	6,135 00				6,135 00
5,919 17		23 74				5,942 91				5,942 91
60 53						60 53				60 53
10,359 30	646 69	6 20				11,012 19	10 00		100 00	11,122 19
5,000 00						5,000 00		22 48		5,022 48
6,740 32		88 67			882 77	7,711 76	249 44	25 00		7,986 20
3,389 04		11 61				3,400 65				3,400 65
8,899 50	793 50	4 50				9,697 50	140 25			9,837 75
1,023 55		6 83			1 00	1,031 38		31 34		1,062 72
5,702 42						5,702 42		25 00		5,727 42
5,850 00				300 00	150 00	6,300 00		14 06		6,314 06
5,473 50		11 51				5,485 01			69 99	5,555 00
7,710 80		20 93				7,731 73		5 00		7,736 73
60 31						60 31				60 31
4,534 79	684 55	16 90				5,236 24		31 00		5,267 24
6,418 33		5 75		450 00		6,874 08				6,874 08
7,728 80		22 23		300 00		8,051 03				8,051 03
6,465 53		41 09		265 00		6,771 62	8 00		23 16	6,802 78
6,131 45						6,131 45				6,131 45
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CONFERENCE INCOME BY DEPARTMENTS

Jurisdiction	Adult	W. S. G	Students	Young Women and Girls	Children	Babies	Totals
Southeastern (continued)							
Holston	$7,187 49	$327 08	.....	$102 82	$30 26	.....	$7,647
Kentucky	5,136 38	258 45	.....	21 75	54 42	.....	5,471
Louisville	4,130 60	348 65	.....	197 20	24 51	$5 00	4,705
Memphis	6,222 80	537 17	.....	123 93	146 10	40 00	7,070
Mississippi	6,045 18	258 84	.....	.....	7 76	.....	6,311
North Alabama	8,101 13	390 10	.....	5 90	35 86	.....	8,532
North Carolina	10,273 76	637 73	.....	.....	171 45	.....	11,082
North Georgia	9,989 94	1,255 55	.....	39 24	215 27	.....	11,500
North Mississippi	6,298 79	137 50	.....	.....	73 25	.....	6,509
South Carolina	5,383 66	151 92	.....	52 52	11 90	.....	5,600
South Georgia	10,250 65	302 14	.....	.....	152 21	55 00	10,760
Tennessee	5,534 04	266 34	.....	5 93	.....	13 69	5,820
Upper South Carolina	5,726 49	249 25	$10 00	21 70	17 56	.....	6,025
Virginia	15,944 26	137 77	.....	117 80	98 37	.....	16,298
Western North Carolina	12,693 41	812 99	.....	113 98	.....	63 51	13,683
Western							
California	9,764 20	273 30	.....	280 73	37 75	.....	10,355
Colorado	5,044 71	81 60	.....	39 43	13 73	.....	5,179
Idaho	1,257 94	29 00	.....	26	3 35	.....	1,290
Montana	885 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	885
Oregon	4,253 66	72 80	.....	17 81	20 38	.....	4,364
Pacific Northwest	4,492 68	.....	.....	98 60	22 83	.....	4,614
Southern California	25,527 39	484 12	.....	391 99	206 18	60 00	26,669
Utah Mission	260 77	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	260
Wyoming	599 57	3 00	.....	2 16	.....	.....	604
Central:							
Atlanta	148 15	42 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	190
Central Alabama	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Central West	116 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	116
Delaware	1,025 50	28 26	.....	20 37	30	.....	1,074
East Tennessee	116 00	.....	.....	16 00	.....	.....	132
Florida	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lexington	376 00	11 00	.....	3 00	2 00	.....	392
Louisiana	141 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	141
Mississippi	46 00	.....	.....	3 00	1 00	.....	50
North Carolina	145 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	145
Savannah	68 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	68
South Carolina	78 11	.....	.....	8 15	1 00	.....	87
South Florida	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30
Southwest	53 00	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	58
Tennessee	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60
Texas	333 98	.....	.....	10 00	1 00	.....	344
Upper Mississippi	58 82	.....	5 85	.....	.....	.....	64
Washington	465 80	.....	.....	7 49	.....	.....	473
West Texas	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cuba Conference	126 26	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	126
China Missionary Society	16 88	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
Totals	$719,894 04	$19,604 91	$42 74	$9,788 74	$5,926 98	$508 37	$755,76
Other Receipts:							
Deaconess Relief	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Deaconess Pensions	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Endowment Interest	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Permanent Fund (Prot. Meth. Fund)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Supplies	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Building Funds	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Literature Sales	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Balance From Institutions—1940	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Institutional Income	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miscellaneous Items	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Totals	$719,894 04	$19,604 91	$42 74	$9,788 74	$5,926 98	$508 37	$755,76

The first quarter of the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service has en
The reports are all in and we find cause for rejoicing, for every Conference except three
their reports to this office in time to be included in the total.

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ENSION—THE METHODIST CHURCH
CHRISTIAN SERVICE

DIVISION OF CONFERENCE INCOME

udget	Conference Work	Week of Prayer	Memorials	Home Mission Specials	Home Scholarship (Southern)	Total Conference Credit	Supplies	Cultivation ¼ of 1c	Misc.	Grand Total
7,589 33	.....	$8 32	$50 00	.....	.....	$7,647 65	.....	.....	.....	$7,647 65
5,216 38	$29 62	.....	.....	$225 00	.....	5,471 00	$9 00	.....	.....	5,480 00
4,301 79	.....	4 17	.....	400 00	.....	4,705 96	150 00	$20 71	.....	4,876 67
5,072 00	.....	.....	.....	798 00	$200 00	7,070 00	.....	.....	.....	7,070 00
6,278 95	.....	4 15	.....	.....	28 68	6,311 78	.....	.....	.....	6,311 78
8,449 12	.....	33 87	.....	.....	50 00	8,532 99	575 06	12 70	$5 00	9,125 75
0,082 94	.....	.....	.....	750 00	250 00	11,082 94	82 06	.....	.....	11,165 00
5,962 55	.....	.....	.....	1,700 00	2,837 45	11,500 00	.....	.....	.....	11,500 00
6,485 33	.....	24 21	.....	.....	.....	6,509 54	3 25	19 38	2 00	6,534 17
5,600 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,600 00	.....	.....	.....	5,600 00
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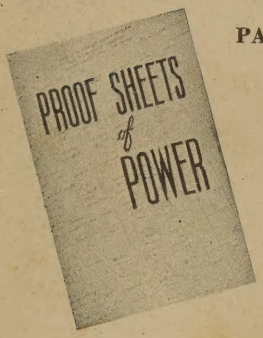

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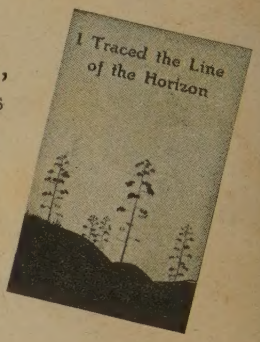

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